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HIS BAD DAY

MR. TSANG IS CROSS-EXAMINED THAT SPECIMEN SIGNATURE

"Out of Bank's Custody Without Consent"

CLERK STILL IN WITNESS BOX

Further submissions by counsel were made this morning, the fifth day of the trial, anent the specimen signature of Mr. T. Black (accountant in the Treasury) lodged in the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E. (instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ for the defence) maintained that the specimen had been in the Bank's custody at the time under discussion. Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (who is leading for the Crown) said that the specimen had gone out of the Bank's custody without the Bank's consent.

Much of the morning's hearing was occupied by the resumed cross-examination of Mr. Tsang On-wing (a clerk in the Treasury) by Mr. Jenkin.

COUNSEL'S SUBMISSIONS

"You didn't open your mouth to any purpose," commented Mr. Jenkin to Mr. Tsang after a reply by the witness that he had not reported to Mr. Black when the latter returned from the Hong Kong Bank on Jan. 18, when he had discovered that thirty cheques were missing from one book.

Tsang's reply to another question was—

"That (Jan. 18) was a very bad day for me."

Asked to explain what he meant, Tsang said that soon after Mr. Black's announcement of his discovery, on his return from the Bank, Mr. T. H. King (Director of Criminal Intelligence) arrived at the Treasury, witness was told to fix up his books, he was told that he couldn't be allowed to go and that he was detained.

The Order

Mr. Jenkin observed at the outset that in regard to the order made by his Lordship (Mr. Justice Jackson) about the specimen signature of Mr. Black, he (counsel) had returned the photo and the negative. The specimen itself had always been in the custody of the Bank. It was in the custody of Mr. Proctor now. And Mr. Proctor had attended Court with it.

Mr. Jenkin then applied that Mr. Proctor's attendance in Court should be foregone until he was required, when he would be sent for.

Mr. Potter, referring to his protest of Friday, said that it had been made by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master (solicitors to the Bank), that it had gone out of the Bank's custody without the Bank's consent and contrary to the order of the Court.

Concern or No?

Mr. Jenkin argued that this was no concern of the Court.

Mr. Potter rejoined that it concerned the Court very much in that it went elsewhere before coming into Court.

His Lordship observed that this was somewhat irregular.

Mr. Jenkin pointed out that the order of the Court was that the specimen signature should be in Court on Nov. 20 (the day the trial opened); what happened to it before that day did not concern the Court.

However, the Court's order for return of Friday having been complied with, the matter was allowed to drop.

Resuming his cross-examination of Tsang On-wing, Mr. Jenkin reminded him of the position at the adjournment on Friday afternoon, when, in effect, the witness had told the Court that as the result of the discovery of altered covers of two cheque books, he (Tsang) suspected that there had been some foul play.

Tsang replied that that was so.

Mr. Jenkin: When you ordered the last cheque book of the year, you ordered one of 200 cheques only?—Yes.

You calculated that 200 cheques would last to the end of the year?—Yes.

In accordance with usual procedure you ordered the last book when you started to use the last book in hand (Exhibit F)?—Yes.

You took the application form

U. S. TELEPHONES FOR NANKING

CONTRACT SIGNED

AUTOMATIC SYSTEM FROM A CHICAGO FIRM

BIG SUM INVOLVED

Shanghai, Nov. 20.

The Nationalist government announced today the signing of a contract with the Automatic Electric Company of Chicago, for the installation of a complete new telephone service in the new Chinese capital of Nanking. This new system will be similar to that now in use in Manila.

The contract was signed by the Chinese minister of communications, Wang Poh-chun and Harry S. James, representative of the Automatic Company of Chicago. W. H. Walter, representative of the head office in Chicago also assisted in the negotiation of the contract.

The new telephone system will include the city of Nanking with long distance connections throughout the lower Yangtze Valley.

The contract involves an initial expenditure of \$1,800,000 gold, of which the Chinese government has already paid more than \$600,000. The new telephone system to be installed is called the Strowger Patent which was invented in Kansas City and since has been installed in Canada, Australia, New Zealand, India, the Philippines and various European countries.

Black of the finding of the bigger portion and the latter told him to continue the search. Witness did not search for this particular cover until after he found the other on She's desks. Witness searched all over the general office first before looking into the cooie's room.

Mr. Jenkin: You did not look in your own desk?—No, because I never kept the covers in my desk. Not these particular ones?—No. Tsang said in reply to other questions that he started to search after 5 p.m., because it was round about that time that Mr. Black first asked him to search for the covers. Witness looked for cheque book covers generally, but specially for the two, in question.

"Told Him Before"

Asked if he had told Mr. Black that he had torn two covers which had been tampered with, witness said he did. It was just about the time he was going to look for them.

Mr. Jenkin: Why did you keep back from Mr. Black until 5 p.m. on January 18 your knowledge of the tampering of the covers?—I told him before. When I told him that cheques were missing, I meant to tell him that the numbers had been altered.

Pressed on the point, Tsang said that he only told Mr. Black of the shortage of cheques. At 5 p.m. on January 18 was the first time he had told Mr. Black that the numbers had been altered. Witness did not report that fact before because he thought that it was a mistake by the bank. Witness told Mr. Black that 60 cheques altogether were missing.

The exact words he used in English were "I ordered 200 cheques from the bank, and they sent 400, but as I discover that 60 are short, I don't know what I shall do with this book." That report was made on the day witness received the last cheque book (December 21).

A Protest

Mr. Jenkin told Tsang that, in his evidence, Mr. Black made no mention of this report. He said that he first knew of the missing cheques on January 18.

Witness: The day I reported to him, he said nothing to me in reply.

Mr. Jenkin said that Mr. Messer, if he would adhere to the statement he made at the Police Court, would also say that the first he knew of the double shortage of cheques was on January 18, now did you?

Mr. Potter protested that the statement of Mr. Messer was not completely put in that way, as, further, Mr. Messer said that he remembered that some ten days before the end of December when spoken to about the 400 cheques, there was a mention of a shortage of 60, but he did not gather by that that 60 cheques were missing. He said that it made all the difference in the world.

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UNUSUAL, THIS TIME OF THE YEAR

SEVERE TYPHOON

COMES FURTHER NORTH THAN IS EXPECTED

PLANES & "HERMES" DELAYED

Most unusual at this time of the year is the fact that a typhoon, of extreme intensity, has come further North than was expected.

This morning it was 300 or 400 miles S. S. E. of Hong Kong Kong. This non-local signals have gone up here.

First indications were that after passing the Philippine Islands the typhoon would strike the coast of Indo-China south of Tourane. Now it is expected to go towards the Straits of Malacca.

The departure of the aircraft H.M.S. "Hermes," on a southern cruise, fixed for this morning, was postponed, on account of the storm. "Hermes" is to visit Jesselton, Kudat and Manila, returning here on Dec. 17.

The British Far East Flight of four seaplanes, under Group Captain H. M. Cave-Brown-Cave, was postponed from to-day till Thursday. The visiting officers have been guests at a number of functions locally.

CLOUDY

"N. E. winds, fresh, cloudy," is the weather forecast until to-morrow.

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To-day's Report

The weather forecast issued to-day is given elsewhere on this page. At 10.45 a.m. to-day, the Observatory reported—

A depression is shown to the north of Japan.

An anti-cyclone has formed over S.E. Mongolia.

The typhoon is between 300 and 400 miles S.S.E. of Hong Kong moving W.N.W.

The second typhoon is about 250 miles W. of Guam, moving westward.

Cyclonic gales may be expected over the China Sea.

To-day's Warnings

The following telegram quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory at 9.00 a.m. to-day—

Manila 10 a.m. 25th; typhoon in about 117 deg. Long. E. 15 deg. Lat. N. moving W.N.W.

Typhoon in about 144 deg. Long. E. 10 deg. Lat. N. moving W.

25th 5.30 p.m. Cyclone or Typhoon West of Luzon more than 100 miles distant moving W.N.W. or W.

Philippines Suffer!

Manila, Saturday.

A destructive typhoon, said by the Weather Bureau to be the most violent since 1882, is passing over the Central Philippines. All communications have been broken in the provinces.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL KEYES

APPOINTED C.I.C. AT PORTSMOUTH

London, Yesterday.

Admiral Sir Roger Keyes has been appointed Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.—Reuter.

[Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, R.N., K.C.B., C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., M.V.O., D.S.O., was created a baronet in 1919. He has been Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean Station, since 1925.]

DEATH IN RIVER

NEW DETAILS ABOUT 1ST CLASS STOKER

The death has been reported of William John Lansdell, 1st class Stoker of H.M.S. "Potarod," by drowning. No details are known. "Potarod" was on passage down the Upper Yangtze from Wanshen to Ichang. Deceased was not married, and a native of Camberwell, London.

ARCH. SMITH

DEATH OF R. C. PRIMATE OF SCOTLAND

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Archbishop Smith, the Roman Catholic Primate of Scotland.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.

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CAPT. D. A. THOMSON

DIES AT SEA AFTER 22 YEARS WITH FIRM

A WAR VICTIM

We regret to announce the death of Capt. D. A. Thomson, Marine Superintendent of the China Navigation Co., who passed away this morning at 2 o'clock aboard the a.s. "Chinhua," bound for Hoihow from Bangkok. The vessel put into Touraine to land the body. Capt. Thomson was on a health and business trip at the time of his decease.

He joined the China Navigation Company as second officer on January 15, 1906 and was promoted Chief Officer on January 21, 1910. His promotion to skipper followed on January 10, 1920, and on January 17, 1924, he was appointed Marine Superintendent.

The late Capt. Thomson, who was born at Tobermory, Scotland, in 1874, was better known in Shanghai than in Hong Kong.

Throughout the War he served at the Scilly Islands Base, and has been more or less suffering from the effects of exposure undergone then up to the time of his death.

Mrs. Thomson was with her husband when he died, the pair having come to Hong Kong from Shanghai a few months ago. There are no children.

REPARATIONS

CONSIDERATION OF THE GERMAN MEMORANDUM

"NO DIFFICULTIES"

London, Yesterday.

German memorandum on reparations, which was handed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer on Friday, is being studied by the departments concerned without delay.

It is understood that the general impression conveyed by the preliminary examination is that it presents no difficulties.—British Wireless Service.

BIG LOCKOUT

SERIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS IN GERMANY

THOUSANDS AFFECTED

Cologne, Yesterday.

The deadlock in the Ruhr metal industry is intensified following decision of the provincial Labour Court, which has not improved the chances of the independent efforts of the Government Commissioner for the Duesseidort District to arrange a settlement.

In some quarters it is considered unlikely that the works will be reopened in 1928. Meanwhile practically every industry in West Germany is affected by the lock-out, and thousands of workers, excluding a quarter of a million metal workers, have been rendered idle.

The granting of relief from public funds has hitherto prevented serious disturbances. But the man having money to spend for Christmas festivities may be driven to desperation. Already there have been several armed robberies.—Reuter.

NO MORE AUTONOMY

NANKING'S CIRCULAR TO THE PROVINCES

BRANCH POLITICAL COUNCILS

Nanking, Yesterday.

The Central Government authorities are issuing a circular telegram to various divisional Political Councils (at Canton, Wu-Han, Peking, Kaifeng and Taiyuan), ordering their abolition before the end of December.—Reuter.

[Note: The presence of these branch Political Councils, at Canton for instance, confers a degree of local autonomy on the peace concerned.]

FOUR KILLED

ACCIDENT TO A FOKKER PASSENGER PLANE

Spokane, Saturday.

Four were killed and three seriously injured in an accident to a Fokker passenger aeroplane.—Reuter's American Service.

ROOSEVELTS COMING TO CHINA

BIG GAME

CHINESE CANNOT ASSUME FULL PROTECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY

DR. WANG'S CABLE

Shanghai, Nov. 22.

The Chinese government to-day issued an invitation and offered all possible protection to Theodore and Kermit Roosevelt who are visiting China early next year on a big game hunting expedition in behalf of the Field Museum.

According to information given the Chinese government, the Roosevelts are first proceeding to Burma, India, whence they are proceeding through jungles and the mountainous region of French Indo-China, thence through Yunnan Province to Tibet and possibly returning to civilisation through Szechuen Province, China, and down the Yangtze River to Shanghai.

When the Roosevelts departed from New York on October 31, Dr. C. C. W. Chinese envoy to the United States, cabled that the Nationalist Government requested full facilities and protection for them.

Dr. C. T. Wang, the Nationalist foreign minister, in behalf of the Nationalist government to-day sent the following telegram:—

"The Chinese government welcomes the Roosevelts' visit to China on a hunting expedition and will extend every facility but it cannot assume full responsibility of protection in areas where unsettled conditions prevail which the Roosevelts may desire to visit."—Chicago Tribune cable.

IN MERRY MOOD

SEQUEL TO STAMPEDE AT CONSTABLE

Two Chinese seamen of H.M.S. "Tamar," were discharged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when it was stated that they had "good characters."

The pair appeared on a charge of assaulting a district watchman in Public-square market yesterday.

One of the seamen said that he "stared" at the constable, and the latter suddenly attacked him.

The constable in evidence said that he was assaulted first.

The men were under the influence of drink, though not to any great extent.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton said that he knew exactly what had happened. The men apparently in a merry mood had endeavoured to make a "laughing-stock" of the constable. Under the circumstances the constable had acted correctly.

CROWN LAND

CHINESE CHARGED WITH TRESPASSING

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning a Chinese was charged with trespassing on Crown land in the vicinity of the Kowloon reservoir. He was said to have been standing in the water gathering rushes.

An Indian constable said that defendant endeavoured to run away with a bundle of "water-grass."

Defendant denied this and said that he was on the hillside and not in the water.

Mr. John Barnett, assistant of the Kowloon Water Works, said that the ground surrounding the reservoir was Crown land.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the magistrate, said that it was very vague as to the exact place defendant had trespassed on, and that under the circumstances he would treat the case as an ordinary one and impose a fine of \$5 or 7 days. Otherwise a fine of \$100 would have been imposed if evidence had been sufficient to prove that defendant was actually in the water.

S.S. "HOPSANG"

RETURNING AFTER HITTING SUBMERGED OBJECT

The s.s. "Hopsang" is returning to Hong Kong this morning, having struck some submerged obstacle after leaving here yesterday on her usual run to Tientsin via Swatow. It is understood that no material damage was done.

SANCTION IRREGULAR PROCEDURE?

BANKRUPTCY COURT

ONE PETITION AFTER ANOTHER THROWN OUT

"HESITATION AND DISLIKE"

"Am I to give my sanction to irregular procedure?" the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E.) observed this morning when presiding in the Bankruptcy Court, which was held in the Second Court because the Carvalho Yeo trial was in the First.

Incidentally, his Lordship's presence in the Puisse Judge's seat is unique.

At length, however, his Lordship made the order for rescission of receiving order, remarking that he did so "with hesitation and considerable dislike."

The application for rescission was by the Official Receiver (Mr. E. L. Agassiz) on the ground that assets in his hands totalled \$116 and liabilities \$117,000.

Highly Undesirable

Apparently, there had been a compromise of sorts. Some of the partners in the debtor firm, the Kwong Lee Store, had given a power of attorney to four compradors who had, in turn, collected book debts and paid 30 per cent. to all creditors, with the exception of two European firms who knew nothing of the scheme. Having been left out, the latter petitioned for adjudication. But the petitioning creditor had also been admitted into the scheme and had been paid as well.

Mr. Agassiz observed that the procedure had been highly undesirable; but he did not see what could be done as further proceedings in bankruptcy would be abortive.

Mr. W. D. Owen for a creditor, and Mr. C. A. S. Russ for debtor, concurred in Mr. Agassiz's application.

His Lordship then ordered that the receiving order be rescinded, emphasising that this is not to be taken as a precedent.

Several petitions for receiving order were thrown out by his Lordship, one after the other.

Debt of \$298,000

Three other applications for rescinding of receiving order, all by the Official Receiver, were successful. In one case, Mr. F. X. d'Almada and Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones opposed the application; but Mr. H. L. Dennis, Jr., appearing for Mr. Kwik Djoen-jagor, the "Java Sugar King," who was mortgagee for \$298,000, supported the application.

It was explained that, at first, it was thought that debtor, Chung Pui, was only indebted to Mr. Kwik for \$27,000; but it was subsequently ascertained that he and his co-mortgageors were jointly and severally liable for the whole, instead of for a part.

Mr. d'Almada and Mr. Hugh Jones pleaded exceptional circumstances.

"VESTRIS" LOSS

BOSTON BANKER MAKES A BIG CLAIM

CREW SUBPOENAED

New York, Yesterday.

The first suit for damages arising out of the loss of the "Vestris" has begun in the Federal Court. Mr. Orrin Stevens, a banker of Boston, a survivor of the wreck, is claiming \$10,400 for the loss of his wife.

One hundred and twenty-three members of the crew of the "Vestris" who are due to sail today, have been "subpoenaed" to testify on Monday.—Reuter's American Service.

SPAIN'S TARIFF

INCREASE IN COTTON GOODS RATES

10 TO 40 PER CENT.

Madrid, Saturday.

The Government Committee which examined the duties on cotton goods, recommended increased rates of from 10 to 40 per cent.—Reuter.

U.S. SHARES

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The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each, up to Friday, 30th November, 1928.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.

Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

N.B. Attention is drawn to a change in routine at above meeting. Horses entered for races will not bear distinctive numbers in the Race Book as heretofore, but starters as they are weighed out will be numbered consecutively, and such numbers exhibited on the Board. All horses starting in a race will display a saddle-cloth bearing a number corresponding to the horse's Board number and such number will also apply to Pari-Mutuel and Cash Sweep tickets. Hong Kong, 26th Nov., 1928.

SCOTTISH PAIR**WEDDING AT THE UNION CHURCH****HELD ON SATURDAY**

Two Scottish families were united by marriage on Saturday the contracting parties being Mr. Edward Moore, son of Mr. William Moore and the late Mrs. Moore of Greenock, and Miss Elizabeth Robertson Dow, the daughter of Mr. James Dow and the late Mrs. Dow of Glasgow.

The ceremony was performed in Union Church, Kennedy-road, the Rev. F. C. Young, the new minister, officiating.

Mrs. R. C. Wallace was matron of honour. Miss Wallace was bridesmaid and the Misses Grace Swan and Jean Stewart the flower-girls.

Mr. T. Swan gave the bride away. Mr. Stewart Hope acted as best man and Mr. D. C. Walsley and Mr. J. H. Stewart as groomsmen.

White Heather

The bride wore a dress of white georgette and silver lace; her veil was of net and silver lace. She carried a bouquet of white heather and white roses. The bridesmaid wore a dress of three-shade apricot with hat to match. She carried a spray of chrysanthemums. Mrs. Wallace wore a dress of lace over beige georgette with hat to match.

The service was choral, the hymns sung being "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden" and "O, God of Bethel."

The reception was held in the Hong Kong Hotel. The bride's travelling dress was of fawn georgette trimmed with gold. The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay.

THE A.D.C.**LAST PERFORMANCE OF THE "SPORT OF KINGS"**

The fourth and final performance of "The Sport of Kings" was given by the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club in the Theatre Royal on Saturday night. There was again a large audience, which very heartily enjoyed the play and the excellent work of the players.

At the close, the ladies were presented with bouquets and other tributes to their popularity. The curtain ultimately went down to the hilarity that is customary on such occasions.

Christ Church, Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, is being renovated and redecorated by the voluntary spare-time labour of male members of the congregation.

Pr. tiest Model

Mlle. Terralina Panchevits of Paris, recently described as the most beautiful model in all France, recently married but to remain in art.

ON CHINESE**THE VIEWS OF LOCAL STUDENTS****PONTES ASINORUM**

Here are some quotations from views expressed in the Hong Kong University "Union Magazine," under the caption reproduced here, on the perennial topic of learning Chinese:—

Mr. A. E. Wood (Director of Education): Chinese is very poor in vocabularies. The richest Chinese dialect has only a few hundred different sounds.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell (First Police Magistrate): In Canton he (the ordinary European) finds that different words which all sound like "cow" mean "to deliver," "a dog," "nine," "to compare," "a ball," etc.

Mr. A. H. Crook (Headmaster, Queen's College): No sooner has a European started the language than he finds that . . . there is no connection whatever between the spoken and the written language.

The Rev. H. R. Wells: Does it (the quotation used as the heading) mean that anyone who tries to learn Cantonese is an ass?

Professor R. K. M. Simpson: There are very few sounds used in Cantonese that are not used in European languages.

Professor D. J. Finn: Cantonese was my first love . . . Hong Kong offers you four to one against nerves being normal and Hong Kong speaks Cantonese, and Cantonese has at least nine "tones"—some say thirteen . . . Mandarin is my present fancy—it is not to be my lasting attachment.

FIRE ALARM**GRASS ON MILITARY GROUND****POKFULAM SCARE**

There was much excitement in town on Saturday night when a rumour went round, just before 8 o'clock, that a big blaze had broken out in the vicinity of Felix Villas, Pokfulam.

Inquiries elicited that two engines had proceeded to the scene from the Central Fire Station, whilst it was also learned that 100 men of the Police Emergency Squad had been rushed to Pokfulam to assist the firemen.

When the fire engines returned to town soon after 8.30 p.m., however, it was ascertained that the fire was an outbreak among some grass on the hillside on Military land at Pokfulam. The land, which is the site of the old Belcher Forts, is a considerable distance from Felix Villas which were never threatened by the flames.

The hill on which the outbreak occurred practically overlooks Fly Point, the site of Ricci Hall, the new University hostel, construction of which has recently started. It was difficult for the firemen to reach the flames on account of the steepness of the hillside, and it was some time before hoses could be effectively brought into play.

Three cases of small-pox, three of diphtheria and one of enteric were notified in the Colony during the 24 hours ended Nov. 28.

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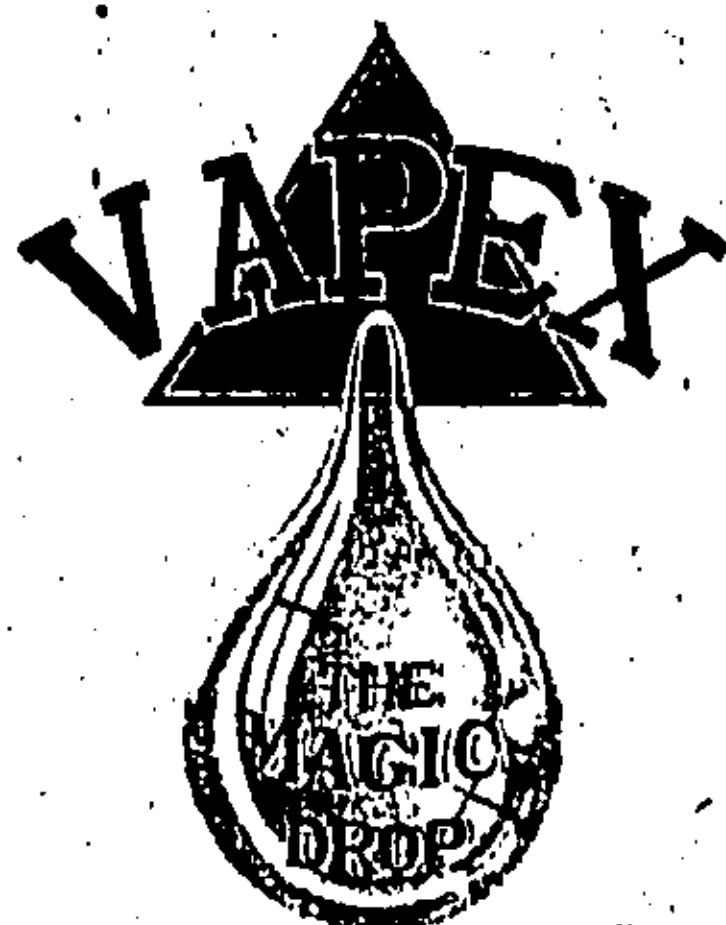
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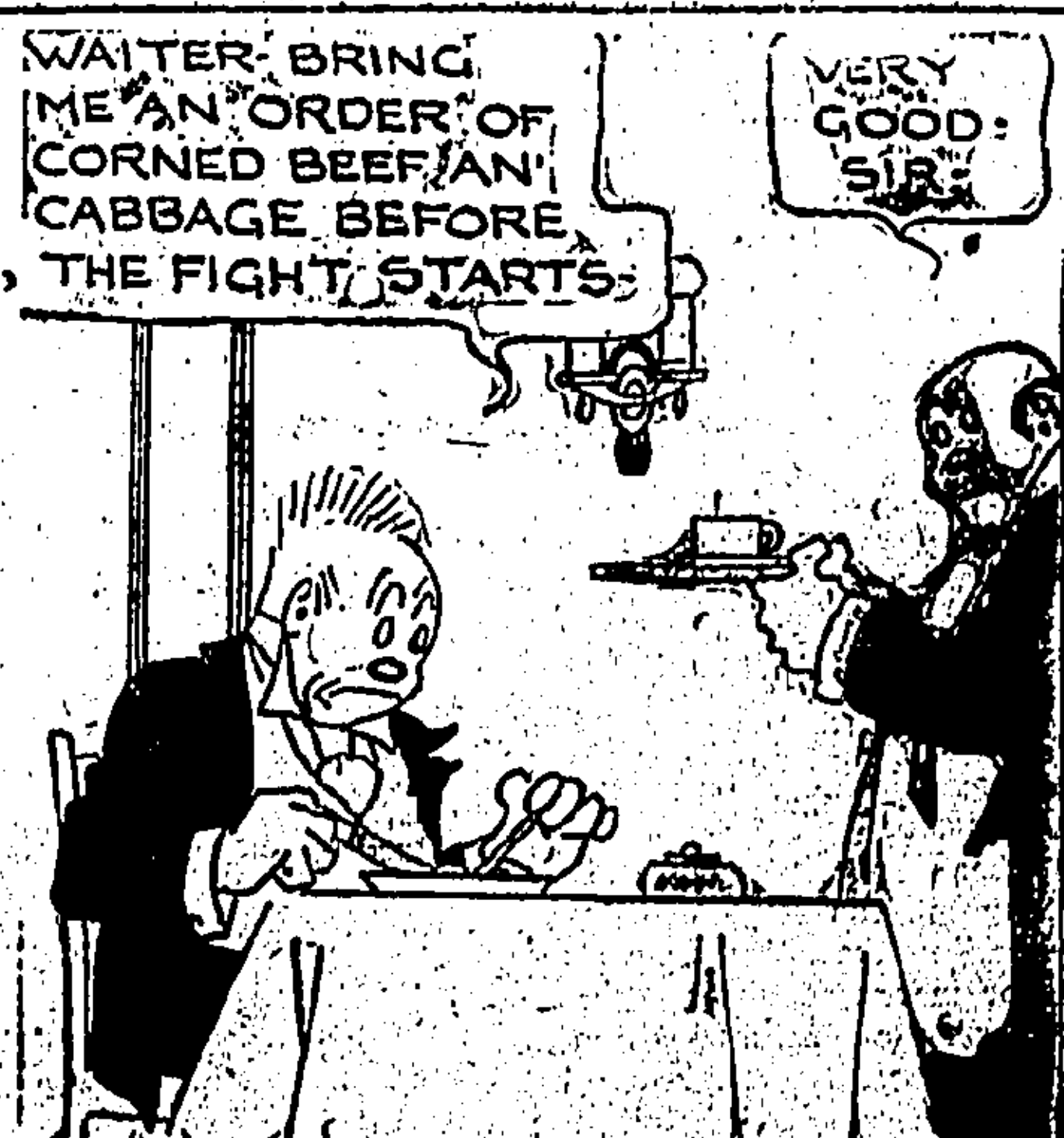
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MANILA MARU	Saturday, 29th December.
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LONDON MARU (From Shanghai)	Friday, 7th December.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
MADRAS MARU	Thursday, 6th December.
SAIGON	
HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow & Pakhol.	
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 6th December 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	
JAPAN PORTS	
SHUNO MARU	Thursday, 29th November.
SANUKI MARU	Thursday, 29th November.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 2nd December Noon.
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AIR TRANSPORT

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[A.C. Hardy, B.Sc., A.M.Inst., A.M.]

When we read, in official statistics, that passengers to the number of 28,764, and freight to the value of £2,691,267 were carried by air between Great Britain and the Continent during the year 1927, it is not without interest for those of us who are connected with shipping to inquire a little into the future of aviation in so far as it may affect shipping services—either in direct competition or as an auxiliary.

It is conceded by many that transport aviation has limitations both mechanical and physical. These limits—of freight space and weight-carrying space—do not ordinarily apply to the same extent in the case of the land vehicle of transport (rail or road type) or to the water instrument of transport, the ship. But for relatively short distances the carrier by air has the great advantage of being able to leave a land port in one country, cross a considerable water stretch, and arrive at a land port in another country, giving to the freight or passenger carried such complete immunity from the on the one hand, dangers; and the on the other hand, inconveniences of two transshipments as is only enjoyed by a through rail and railway service.

The air journey, too, has the further advantage of tremendous time-saving at very little extra cost. Some idea of the tremendous economy of time is well shown in this little table, taken from Imperial Airways services to the Continent of Europe:—

Economy of Time in Transport

Journey.	Air.	Rail & Ship.	Time.	Time.	Saving.
London-Amsterdam	2 1/2	11	hrs.	hrs.	8 1/2
London-Ostend	1 1/2	14	hrs.	hrs.	12 1/2
London-Brussels	2 1/2	9	hrs.	hrs.	6 1/2
London-Cologne	3 1/2	20	hrs.	hrs.	16 1/2

For the shorter distances the time-saving is considerable, but for flights of over three hours' duration, it must be confessed that, until night flying is commercially developed, the overnight boat and train journey gets the passenger to his destination not more quickly, but with more "working day" left. This applies to services like London—Zurich and London—Berlin.

The average air speed is in the nature of 85-86 m.p.h., that on land and sea not more than 40 m.p.h. for the complete journey. Comforts are improving on the airways every year, and so is the assurance of safety. This probably accounts for the fact that whereas in eight months of the year 1919 only 870 passengers were carried by air in British aircraft, this number has increased to 18,874 passengers in the year 1927. The point to be emphasised, however, is that the 28,764 passengers carried in "planes" of all nationalities during 1927 would certainly have been passengers in various railway and boat services between Great Britain and the Continent had no air services existed. The same remarks apply to some 538,1 tons of cargo carried during the same year.

Cargo Capacity

This is not a great amount of actual cargo in terms of ship capacity, but when we remember the comparatively small cargo capacity of each "plane" and couple it with the fact that freight carriage by air is neces-

sarily expensive and confined to urgent and perishable freight, and that the total value of imports imported into Great Britain by air (excluding exports and re-exports) amounted to £1,251,921, it will be realised that here is a very flourishing transportation industry. Furthermore, it is quality rather than quantity freight that is carried.

It is services of this type which will, within the next few years, become very serious competitors to the existing rail and boat services. They have the advantage, too, of a passenger or cargo flexibility not attainable with a boat service. Most of the cross-Channel boats run at peak capacity during June, July, and August. During the remainder of the year they have many empty cabins. A large passenger carrying aeroplane carries 14 or 16 passengers. For an increase in passengers, extra planes can easily be put on to take as many people as the traffic offers. For fewer passengers, a smaller plane and therefore one less expensive to run can be substituted. This is not intended to suggest that flying services will eliminate cross channel services within the next few years, but only to suggest that they will become very severe competitors. An "intermediate" suggestion has been made, incidentally, to eliminate the boat link on cross channel services, with its potential sea-sick horrors, by the substitution of services of fast flying boats, which will clip the present steamer crossing time by half. This, however, will not eliminate any of the "horror," far greater than the sea-sick horrors, of double transshipment. Flying services unquestionably will make their presence felt within the next few years, and if they only accomplish an improvement of the passenger accommodation on cross channel ships they will do a great deal of good. They will, of course, do much more than this.

Ship to Shore Transit

The pure land plane of large size will carry an increasing passenger and cargo load during the next few years, and as such a direct competitor of the ship for fast passenger work and valuable cargo transportation. The flying boat, on the other hand, is rather a special proposition with spheres of activity all its own, but the land type plane has also a mode of utility in ship-shore work, which promises to have a great future. The germs of this future have already been sown in experimental flights carried out with "planes" carrying mails from ship-to-shore on fast Trans-Atlantic passages. If this line of development is pushed to a conclusion, it may conceivably have a modifying effect on the design of passenger liners.

Plans have already been prepared for fast aircraft carrying passenger liners with big flat landing decks after the manner of the big naval aircraft carriers initiated in the British navy, and copied in many other navies. This opens up a whole interesting line of thought—as yet in embryo—as to the co-operation between aircraft and sea-craft, the aircraft being of land type.

The recent development which has taken place in large all-metal flying boats leads one to suggest the opening up of a new vista for fast coastwise passenger and mail services; the British short Calcutta ships and the German Dornier Super Wahl both show distinct tendencies towards the fruition of this idea, for in these types to a greater extent than ever before has a flying "ship" idea been incorporated. For coastwise and short sea work their use in the carriage of mails and passengers and fast freight will have a great future. The recent German proposals for an Australia-New Zealand and an Australia-Tasmania service are of some interest. Flying boat travel, even in its present state, leaves little to be desired in the way of comfort.

German Developments

It is worthy of note that the future development of flying-boat harbours and bases is receiving serious consideration in Germany, where work is being carried on in connection with the establishment of Travemunde as the future starting port for trans-oceanic services to British, West European and North and Central American ports. The Dornier Super Wahl flying boat mentioned above appears to be an interesting type from which much larger flying boats will inevitably spring. Already floating dock accommodation is provided for these ships.

The German shipping companies—according to the Air Ministry report—realise that the growing demand for increased speed is becoming a very costly proposition, and they believe that the gradual transference of urgent matter to aircraft is only a matter of time.

It is stated that more than 10 per cent. of first-class passengers arriving at Bremerhaven from America in 1927, expressed a desire to complete their voyage by air. The employment of a number of flying boats at Hamburg and Bremerhaven for the purpose of conveying mail and passengers to and from liners has been decided on. The experiments on the C.G.T. liner "Ile de France," in August, are an indication of how things are beginning to shape up in this direction. At each end of the trans-Atlantic journey mails were landed in New York and Paris respectively, several hours before they could possibly have reached their destination in the ordinary way. A similar arrangement in the St. Lawrence is designed to speed the mail from Father Point to Quebec and points beyond. For this type of work—the transference of passenger and mail from ships at sea, the possibility of developing some large type of amphibious machine suggests itself. Alternatively we can think of flying boats of the short Calcutta type, meeting passengers at Cherbourg and flying with them direct to London or Paris, and alighting in the Thames and Seine respectively.

Matters are as yet, to a great degree, in the experimental stage in all that we have been discussing above, but development is going on apace—at such a speed that we can only begin to imagine its effect upon waterborne transport. Transport aviation is bound in the long run both to modify and to collaborate with existing ships and shipping—partly as an auxiliary and partly as a competitor. As a shipping nation, Great Britain must be alive to the possibilities of this the newest era in transportation, and must foster the development of all air routes.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The P. & O. s.s. "Khiva" from Hong Kong arrived Marseilles on Nov. 24 at 4 p.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Talamba" left Singapore for this port on Wednesday at p.m., and is due here today.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France," Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R., will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Wednesday.

The Ben Line s.s. "Bencruachan" from Antwerp, London, Straits and Saigon, is due to arrive here on Wednesday.

The B. I. s.s. "Thawa" will leave Amoy for this port to-morrow at p.m., and is due here on Wednesday at p.m.

The E. & A. s.s. "Tanda" left Moji for this port yesterday at a.m., and is due here on Nov. 29 at about a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Nov. 17, and is due here on Dec. 5. She will then go to dry-dock.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada," Capt. E. Griffiths, R.N.R., will leave here for Plymouth, England, via Singapore, Colombo and Port Said, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, being due at Plymouth on December 23.

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Cholera.—Calcutta 38 deaths; Madras 31 deaths; Pondicherry 8 deaths; Bangkok 2 cases, 2 deaths; Saigon 1 case; Canton 1 case.

Small-pox.—Aden 1 case; Basrah 14 cases; Bombay 1 case, 1 death; Madras 20 cases, 6 deaths; Negapatam 6 cases, 2 deaths; Pondicherry 1 death; Belawan Deli 1 case; Phnom Penh 6 cases, 2 deaths; Shanghai 11 deaths.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. "Berwick" left Osaka for Yokkaichi yesterday.
H.M.S. "Foxglove" left Hong Kong for Wei-hai-wei on Saturday.

A tragedy occurred on board the s.s. "Yuen Sang" yesterday when a Chinese boiler-maker, who was engaged in the engine-room of the ship, was scalded to death when one of the steam valves burst. The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has appointed Commander E. D. Drury, inspector of lifeboats for the northern district, to be deputy-chief inspector.

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TALAMBA	8,018	21st Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	19th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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Mr. Herbert S. Bator, who is accompanied by his wife and child, is an accountant of Kobe, making a business trip to Hong Kong.

Mr. Charles H. Buxbaum, a merchant from England, who has just completed a business trip in Shanghai and is now en route to Hong Kong.

Mr. Rowland Stuart Campbell, who is in the Hai Ho Conservancy Commission of Tientsin. He is making a combined business and pleasure trip to Hong Kong before returning to England.

Mr. C. C. Chang, a teacher in the University of Nanjing, making a trip to his home in Hong Kong.

Mr. Junzo Fukuyama, of the staff of the South Manchurian Railway Company with headquarters in Shanghai. He is making a business trip to Hong Kong.

Mr. Samuel Jordan Gilchrist, a tobacco manufacturer of Shanghai; connected also with T. Millbank and Company of London.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Gorton, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Gorton, are making a pleasure trip to Singapore, after which they will return to their home in New York.

Miss Mabel Jordan is a teacher and a missionary connected with the Wattana Wittaya Academy of Bangkok, returning to her station via Hong Kong.

Mr. Alphonse Lecot, who is accompanied by his wife, is a banker formerly of Tientsin, now en route to Hong Kong, where he has several business negotiations under consideration.

Mr. Y. M. Lo, accompanied by his wife, is a banker of Maeso. They are returning from a pleasure trip to Shanghai.

Mr. Eric J. Wentz, an Importer and Exporter of New York, making a business trip throughout the Far East.

Mr. Russell C. Bartman, accompanied by his wife and child, is a U.S. Naval officer of Philadelphia, en route to his new station at Cavite, P.I.

Mr. J. S. Campbell, a merchant of Portland, Oregon, who has just made a business trip throughout the Orient.

Mr. Howard M. Cavender, who is accompanied by his wife and child, is general agent for the Dollar Steamship Line and American Mail Line at Manila. He is returning from a vacation trip to the United States and Shanghai.

Mr. Tomijiro Dejima, a merchant of Manila, who has just completed a combined business and pleasure trip to his home in Kobe. He is Manager and Director of the Taiyo Bazaar of Manila.

Mr. Santiago Elizalde who represents Yenchau and Company of Manila. He is returning from a business trip to the United States in the interest of his firm.

Mr. Ralph I. Gilliland, who is accompanied by his wife, is an executive in the Manila Electric Company, returning to his home after an extended trip abroad.

Mr. Austin O. Glass, Manager of the Standard Oil Company of New York at Haiphong. He is returning to his station after a short vacation trip to U.S.A.

Commander Henry R. Keller, who is accompanied by his wife, is Commander of the U.S.S. "Tranjon" now stationed in Manila.

Mr. Gaylord B. Kiker, also accompanied by his wife, represents the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, and is making a pleasure trip to Manila.

Mr. James R. Koch, an electrical engineer of Johnstown, Penn., en route to join the staff of the Manila Electric Company.

Mr. O. D. Martinez, Oriental Superintendent of the American Mail Line and Dollar Steamship Line at Shanghai. He is making a business trip to Manila.

Lieut. Commander John F. Meigs, U.S.N., who is accompanied by his wife, is returning to his station in Manila.

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This was the first launch under the new management of Workman, Clark, Ltd. In addition to the firm's officials, there were present Councillor Cheyne (chairman of the Improvement Committee), Alderman T. E. McConnell, M.P., and Mr. B. Donald, city surveyor.

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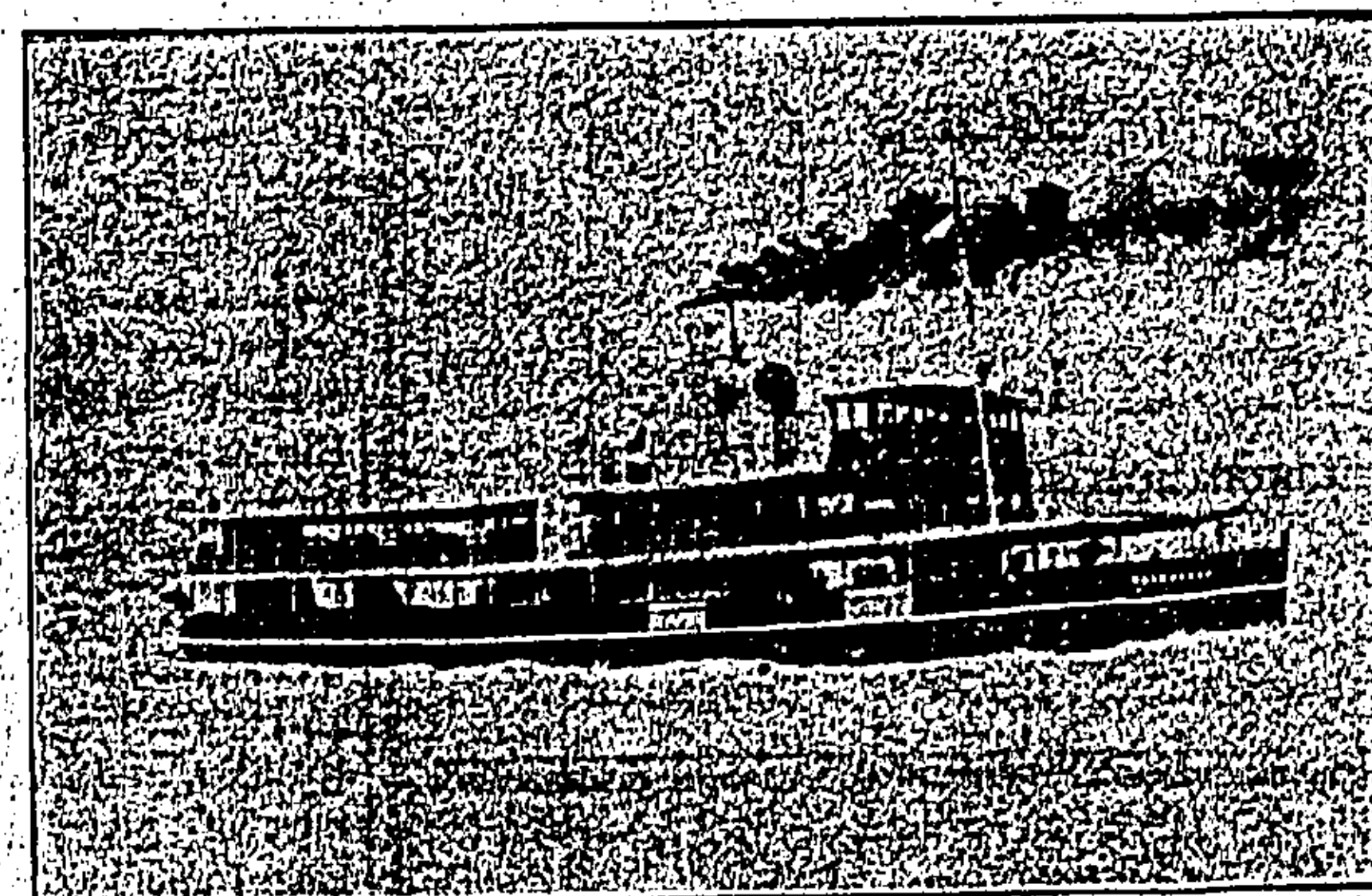
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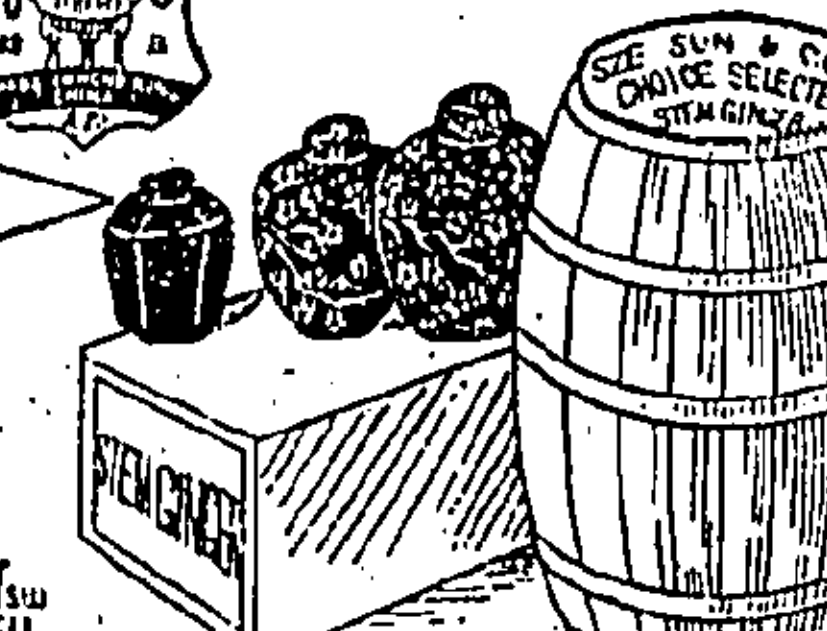
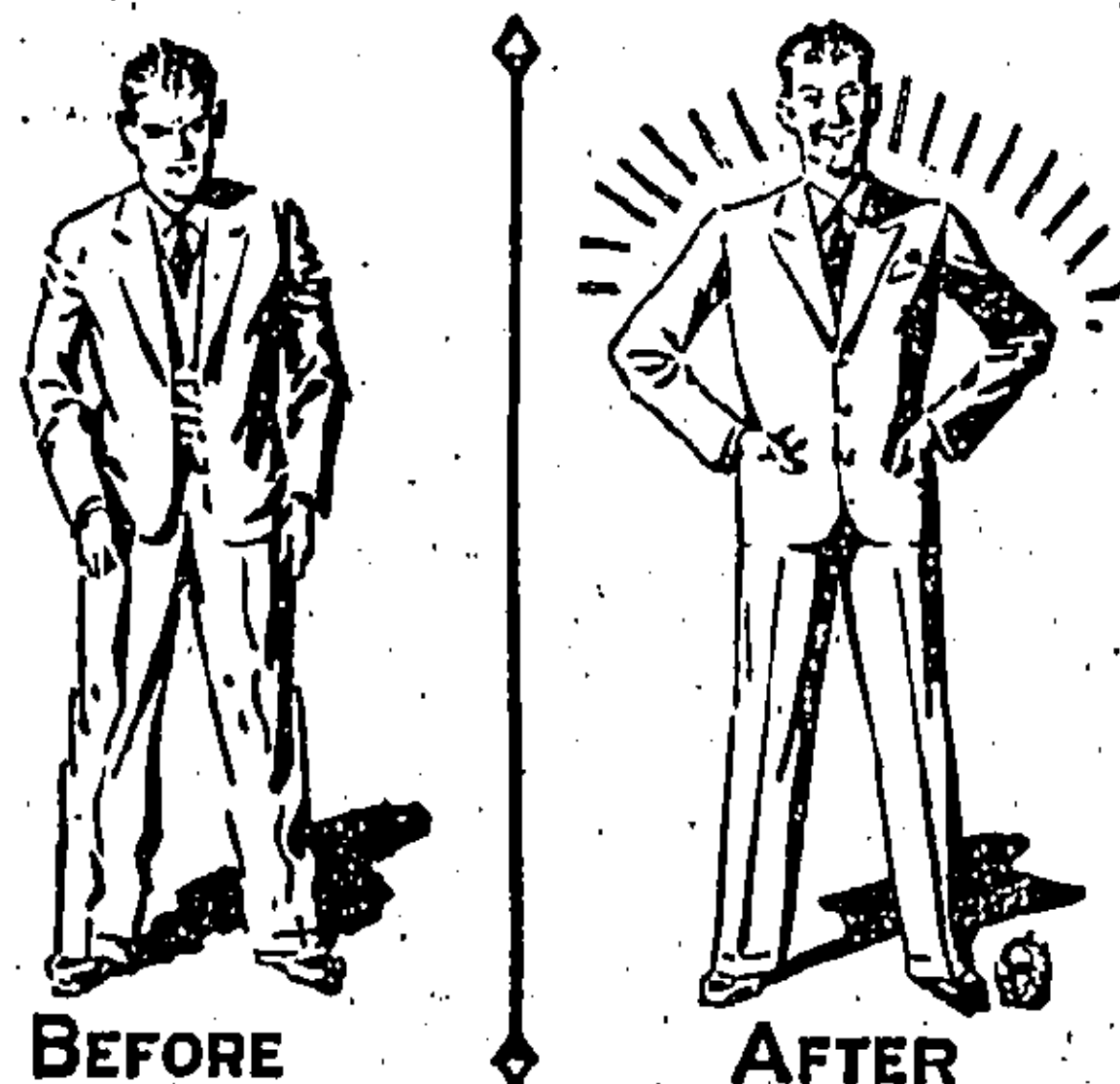
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MARRIAGE

MOORE—DOW.—At Union Church,
Hong Kong, on Saturday, Nov.
24, 1928, by the Rev. F. C.
Young, Edward Moore to
Elizabeth Robertson Dow.

Hong Kong, Monday, Nov. 26, 1928.

HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH

Sincere pleasure will be felt practically all over the world as to the good news to hand that the illness from which King George the Fifth is still suffering is not now regarded as being as serious as at first believed by his medical attendants. That it was of rather a serious nature may be concluded from the fact that His Majesty, at one time, was attended by no fewer than three physicians. Eventually, from what was at first regarded as little more than a severe chill, complications arose, which caused congestion in one of the lungs, irritated the royal patient to such an extent that fever, with a temperature of over 100—101 to be precise—soon made its appearance. This was of course symptomatic of some malady of a more or less malignant character, and ultimately the illness was correctly diagnosed as pleurisy. His Majesty, who is in his sixty-fourth year, cannot nowadays, despite his early active life in the healthy-giving ozone, when he was an officer in the Royal Navy, be regarded as of a strong constitution, and consequently an attack of pleurisy could only be looked upon as a matter of considerable seriousness. That His Majesty has so soon improved says much for the general state of his health as also for the prompt and skilful treatment of his physicians.

Professor Vladimir Behterev believes that certain experiments of his with electro-magnetic waves thrown off by both men and animals as a result of brain and muscle activities may lead to the transmission of thought to a distance in a form susceptible of intelligent reception. There is no doubt that electric currents are produced by all of the chemical changes that take place in the body, and "thinking" produces them, too; so it is conceivable that their special vibrations do have a relation with the ideas at any given moment passing through the mind. That being so, their reception and interpretation at the distance also are conceivable. —"New York Times."

St. Andrew's Ball will be held in the City Hall on Friday, November 30.

Officials of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. to-day welcomed Mr. C. A. Herschleb of New York, who is returning from a trip to Manila and other cities in the Far East. Mr. Herschleb is one of the Secretaries of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. of Canada and the United States.

There will be a popular lecture at the Helena May Institute on December 3—5.30 p.m.—when Major Miles, R.E., will speak on "Wireless."—(Adv.)

Pleading guilty to a charge of causing an obstruction in the Causeway Bay typhoon shelter on Saturday six cargo boat masters were, this morning, fined \$5 at the Marine Court.

The prizes awarded in connection with the Decorated Motor Car Competition at the Grand Taitoo, are being displayed in one of the windows of Messrs. Ullmann & Co. (Adv.)

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E.) leaves Hong Kong for Shanghai on Wednesday, Nov. 28, by the "Empress of France," to preside in an appeal in H.B.M.'s Supreme Court in China.

Leung Ching (11) a boy living at No. 337, Reclamation-street, 2nd floor, who was kidnapped on November 21, was discovered by the police on board the s.s. "Antung" when she was about to leave for Singapore yesterday. He was claimed by his mother. The kidnapper is still at large.

The master of the motor boat "Tack Lee," who was summoned before Comdr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N. at the Marine Court this morning, with failing to observe the regulation of the road and of stopping at the request of the police, was fined \$25 on the first charge and \$10 on the second. The defendant pleaded guilty to both charges.

A Chinese, who jumped overboard from the French steamer "Song Bo" at Green Island yesterday, was picked up by a Police launch. On being taken to the police station, he explained that he had been on board to see a friend off and did not notice that the vessel had left port until it was too late. He had no desire to go to Nam Hoi, to which port the vessel was bound, and being a strong swimmer and seeing the police launch at a distance, he took the leap in the hope that he might be picked up. He had been in the water a quarter of an hour when rescued.

A Chinese was fatally shot in the abdomen by a Japanese doctor of the Majima Hospital, Wanchai, on Saturday morning. A party of Japanese were out bird-shooting at Ping Shan, in the New Territories, and it is believed that the doctor discharged his gun into the bushes not knowing a man was among the trees. The deceased was a richa coolie employed at the Majima Hospital. After the accident, the police was quickly summoned to the place while the victim was taken to the Kowloon Hospital where he died soon after his admission.

CORRESPONDENCE

WHY IS IT?

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Since I came to Hong Kong I found two strange facts: 1. That the banknotes, the silver dollars, the twenty-cent coins, ten-cent coins as well as the five-cent coins have different values, e.g., the silver dollar is worth 5 per cent. less than a dollar note. I can not understand why such is tolerated in a British governed territory. 2. That when sidewalks are not provided for pedestrians there are no laws placing responsibility on motor drivers. There should be speed limits for crowded streets.

Let me know your opinions in the Editorial.

Yours etc.,

K. LONG.

Hong Kong, Nov. 26, 1928.

THE M.C.L.

RESULTS OF POLICE BRANCH RAFFLES

Below are given the results of the raffles conducted by the Police Branch of the Ministering Children's League in connection with the annual "Fun of the Fair" which was held at Lee Gardens on Saturday, November 17.

Prizes may be obtained on application to Chief Inspector Grant at Police Headquarters. Those not claimed before December 22 will be sold for the benefit of the M.C.L. Funds.

M.C.L. Raffle.—No. 82 (cardigan), No. 217 (two pairs pyjamas), No. 8 (two shirts) D. Burlingham; No. 224 (silk tie and handkerchief) Boyce; No. 126 (three pairs socks), N.Y.K. 7; No. 249 (handkerchiefs) H.K. Bank; No. 61 (golf hose) L. Potter; No. 281 (braces and suspenders), T. H. King; No. 187 (belt), B. Southern; No. 190 (tie), A. Calvert.
Ladies' Raffle.—No. 90 (black-wood-table), Sir Shou-son Chow; No. 36 (teaset) Mrs. Cargill; No.

WAGES IN ENGLAND

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INTERESTING STATISTICS

The average weekly rate of wages paid in Great Britain was between 70 and 75 per cent. above the average in August, 1914.

This is the conclusion reached in a special official article in the "Ministry of Labour" Gazette, published recently. The corresponding increase in the cost of living is 66 per cent., if all items be included, and 57 per cent. if food only is considered. The figures taken are in most cases those of the minimum rates.

90 Per Cent. More an Hour
There has also been a general reduction in the number of hours worked per week. Allowing for this the official statistician states that the average amount now earned per hour by British working men and women is 90 to 100 per cent. more than it was in August, 1914.

Some of the wages earned are: Building—Painters 71s. 11d. a week, compared with 36s. 3d.; labourers 54s. 3d. compared with 27s.

Coal Mining—Average increase per shift from 6s. 5d. to 9s. 3d., or 43 per cent.

Engineering and Shipbuilding.—Average increase 19s. a week. Patternmakers, the highest paid, earn 3s. 2d. a week.

Cotton.—61 per cent. increase for weekly wages, and (allowing for reduction in hours) 86 per cent. for hourly wages.

Railways.—Increases from 100 to 140 per cent.

Agriculture.—Labourers' increased from 18s. to 31s. 8d., or 76 per cent.

\$10,000 DECLINED

A Congregation of Oxford University rejected by 121 votes to 92 a decree to accept an offer of £10,000 from Dr. Joseph Wright, Emeritus Professor of Comparative Philology, towards the cost of the extension of the Taylor Institution (for modern languages).

Two conditions attached to the offer:—

(1) that interest at 5 per cent. per annum on the sum should be paid by the University to Professor Wright during his lifetime, and to his wife during her lifetime should she survive him; and

(2) that the work be proceeded with within two years. Sir Harold Hartley (Balliol), opposing the decree, said the building of extensions to the Taylor Institution, which was in such close proximity to the Ashmolean Museum, would seriously cramp the latter.

DAILY WALK AT 92

"But I must have my walking exercise—that is how I keep fit," was the retort of Mrs. Margaret Tegwedd Williams, of Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan, when asked why she had ventured out in a heavy rainstorm.

Mrs. Williams is in her 93rd year, but she takes a walk daily. She was 23 years a member of the Merthyr Board of Guardians. She is a Justice of the Peace and regularly attends the sittings of the Merthyr borough magistrates.

Mrs. Williams is the youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Bevan, a noted bard (Caradoc), and was born at Govilon, near Aberavenny. She moved to Merthyr 47 years ago and married Mr. Peter Williams, a newspaper proprietor, who died in 1896.

CRITIC'S DOWNFALL

Judge Crawford at Edmonton County Court, N., said there was a hopeless inaccuracy existing regarding dates among people.

"I wonder how many persons in this court could give me the dates of the most important events in English history. There would be hardly anyone who could answer even the simplest question that I would put."

A few minutes later the judge observed: Of course everybody knows that the Great War began on August 4, 1914.

There was loud laughter and the judge realised that he had made a mistake.

56 (chair) Mrs. May; No. 111 (teacloth), Mrs. Smith; No. 146 (teaspoons) Mr. McDonald; No. 82 (teacups), Mr. Williams; No. 64 (tea napkins) J. Grenham; No. 97 (teapot) M. A. Hynes.
In the Hidden Treasure competition tickets Nos. 4, 269 received \$5 and Nos. 34, 45, 251, 380, 124, 242, 188, 75, 263 and 193 \$1 each.

Mrs. Barnett won the gander guessing competition with 10 lbs. 2 ozs., and Mrs. Cargill the cake competition with 3½ lbs. Capt. Chandler hazarded the guess of "Louisa" for the doll's name and won the prize.

PRAPS-PRAPSNOT

Patient: "Doctor, does snuff-taking injure the brain?"
Doctor: "No."
Patient: But I have been informed that it does."
Doctor: "Nonsense! People with brains do not take snuff!"

Amberson: "When you fell off the scaffold and your wife got word that you were gravely injured, how was she taking it when they took you home?"

Davidson: "Very hard, indeed she was sitting out on the front porch with my life insurance policy in her hands."

An elderly Jewish plutocrat went to the rejuvenating wizard, and asked: "Can you make me 25 again?"

"Yes," was the reply, "but it will cost you a thousand guineas." "Can you make me 18?"

"Yes, for \$5,000." "I'll have the operation for 18." Six months later the wizard called for his money.

"Nothing doing," said the patient. "I'm under age, and if you say I'm not I'll sue you for fraud."

A Scotsman, walking along the street while on a visit to London, noticed a bald-headed chemist standing at his shop door, and asked if he had any hair restorer.

"Yes, sir," said the chemist, escorting the Scotsman inside. "Here is a preparation I can recommend. I have testimonials from great men who have used it. It makes hair grow in 24 hours." "Aweel," said the Scot, "ye can gie the tap o' yer heid a rul wi' it, an' I'll look back the morn an' see if ye're tellin' the truth."

Hawkins: "And was it very hot in India?"

Jawkins: I should say it was! Why, one of our fellows stayed out too long in the sun one day and had to be ladled back to his bungalow!"

"What kind of a clock is that, Jawkins? It doesn't seem to be right."

"Sh-sh! It's called the married man's delight, my boy. The hands stop at ten every evening, but the ticking goes on as loud as ever. See?"

A customer in a tea shop, after waiting 20 minutes, managed to catch the waitress's eye.

"Can I see the manageress?" he inquired. "I have a complaint." "Complaint?" haughtily exclaimed the maiden. "This is a cafe, not a nursing home!"

Mother: "I wish you would go on an errand for me?"

Small son: "My leg aches awful."

"Too bad. I wanted you to go to old Mrs. Stickney's sweetshop, and—"

"Oh, that isn't far. I can walk there easy."

"Very well. Go there, and just beside it you will see a grocer's shop. Go in and get me a bar of soap."

Phyllis (watching the club's stonewaller at the wicket): "Is he what they call a forcing batsman, Harry?"

Harry (very bored, after a dozen similar hopeless sort of inquiries): "Yes, dear. He forces you to the pavilion bar almost against your will."

Bill Brown, a miner, had spent a Saturday in Newcastle and enjoyed himself well, and, feeling flush, had bought a nice piece of cloth to have made into a suit of clothes.

But, alas, on his homeward journey he lost it, which annoyed his wife very much. Full of grievance, she told the vicar about it next day, blaming her husband for his great carelessness for the loss.

A week later the vicar met Bill. "Good morning," he said, "have you heard anything about your cloth?"

"Yis, sor," answered Bill mournfully. "An hev—morning, noon, and neet."

During the pressure of Saturday's business a grocer lost sight of an order left by a local Chinese laundryman, and it was not until after closing hours, whilst enjoying a smoke, he remembered the neglected order.

Not wishing to inconvenience a customer, he returned to the shop, and, getting the order up, parcelled it and took it to Li Yung's home himself. After apologising for the oversight, he offered the Chinaman a cigar, which was accepted with obvious delight. The grocer then turned to go, saying:—

"Well, good-night! I am very sorry for the delay in delivering your goods."

The Celestial looked at the cigar, which he still held affectionately, and, smilingly, said: "Be sorry again."

HIS BAD DAY

(Continued from Page 1.)

After putting to Tsang Mr. Messer's statement in toto, Mr. Jenkin asked: "Did you or did you not report to Mr. Messer that 60 cheques were missing?"

Witness: I did.

Did you show Exhibit F to him and tell him that the cover had been tampered with?—No.

Asked why he did not do so, Tsang said that at the time he told Mr. Messer of the 400 cheques, he told witness he could receive the book. "I reported to Mr. Messer to the best of my ability," witness added.

Kept Nothing Back
Mr. Jenkin: When making the report, did you keep anything back?—No. I had no reason whatever for trying to keep back from them the fact that the cheques were missing.

Witness said in reply to another question that he did not broadcast in the office the fact that cheques were missing, because he did not attach much importance to it.

Tsang also said that Cheung Man-kun, who worked with him knew of the missing cheques, from the time witness reported to Mr. Black the receipt of the 400 cheques, of December 21. Witness told Cheung about it nearly a quarter of an hour before he told Mr. Black. He did not tell Cheung, however, that two covers had been altered and 30 cheques from each book were missing.

When witness received the 400 cheques from the bank, he said to Cheung: "Hello, this book is in excess." Then witness told him of Exhibit F being 30 cheques short. Then witness asked Cheung to bring Exhibit F to him, whereupon he showed Cheung 30 cheques missing from it. He also remembered that he had shown Cheung the altered cover of this book.

Witness did not show the other cheque book (Exhibit E) to Cheung and tell him that 30 cheques were missing from this book also.

Mr. Black then sent Cheung to the bank, and he returned with the numbers of the missing cheques on a memo form. Witness saw this chit.

Mr. Jenkin: On the chit was the number of one of the false cheques?—Yes.

So you knew at once that one of these wrong debits was connected with one of the missing cheques?—Not at once.

You knew that was a bank number?—Yes.

Did you know it was the number of one of the missing cheques from Exhibit F?—No.

Did you look to see if it was?—No.

Why not?—Because I was never told the number.

LESSON SERMON

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG

"Soul and Body" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, November 25.

The Golden Text was: "Our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself" (Philippians 3: 20, 21).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things? Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? But he spake of the temple of his body" (John 2: 18-21).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "That Life is God, Jesus proved by his reappearance after the crucifixion in strict accordance with his scientific statement: 'Destroy his temple (body), and in three days I (Spirit) will raise it up.' It is as if he had said: The Life, substance, and intelligence of the universe—is not in matter to be destroyed" (p. 27).

MUSSOLINI'S CORN PRIZE

Rome.—Signor Mussolini was among the prize winners in the corn-raising competition in which cash prizes are given to Italian agriculturists for high production of corn per acre.

At the annual prize-giving Signor Mussolini said the cities had had billions for useful things, and sometimes for useless embellishments. It was high time to dedicate billions to the country, if they were to avoid the economic crisis which had beset other nations.

"THE KING OF KINGS"

CECIL B. DE MILLE'S FAMOUS PICTURE

TO-MORROW AT QUEEN'S

"In attempting to appraise 'The King of Kings,' writes a well known critic, all methods of comparison are of necessity discarded. It stands by itself as the greatest sermon of all time. The theatre and theatricals are forgotten, as before the eyes the 1900-years-old story is told again as no power of tongue or pen could ever present it. The appeal of this picture is not of the dramatic. Rather it is of the church and the cathedral. Yet with all, it is never tiresome as a preaching nor does it smack of creeds that might offend those overzealous in a particular religion. It reflects the greatest credit on a cast of stars and prominent players and is positively De Mille's most notable achievement from a production standpoint. No really big picture ever made has aroused so much conflict of opinion among those who usually believe they know, nor has there ever been so much indecision among these same persons when an expression of opinion is requested."

This beautiful and reverent picture of the life and teaching of Jesus of Nazareth will be shown at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow till Saturday. Owing to its great length only three performances are being given daily and these commence promptly at 2.30, 6.00 and 9.15.

LIVELY PICTURE

"WHY SAILORS GO WRONG" AT THE QUEEN'S

"Why Sailors Go Wrong," which started its run at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, and will be presented for last time to-day, is a fine farce, packed full of screamingly funny situations with several thrills thrown in for good measure.

The mirth provoking antics of Sammy Cohen (Jewish taxi driver) and Ted McNamara (Irish cab driver) must be seen to be appreciated. Sammy has an eye for the dollars and a nose for the scents, whilst Ted is in the height of bliss if he can feed on "spuds and a chunk of nice fat pork."

The thrills include frolicking with "crocs in the lagoons of Pogo Pogo Island," a game of hide and seek "with lions in the tree tops," with Sammy unconsciously swinging on the tail of one of the "big cats" and last, but not least, a terrific storm on the high seas in a small yacht tossed on the waves like an egg shell.

The two comedians are well supported by Sally Phipps and Nick Stuart who are the principals in a love story which is the theme of the picture.

DISPUTED ESTATE

LORD NORTHCLIFFE'S DEATH DUTIES

Mr. Evershed said recently in London the case in re Viscount Northcliffe, Arnholz v. Hudson, was in his (Mr. Justice Maugham's) list. It was a very heavy summons raising questions about incidence between capital and income, and also a question of the quantum of death duties payable. The Crown was represented in two capacities.

The application he had to make was to fix a day or days for the hearing of the case. The dates suggested as suitable were November 6 and 7.

Mr. Justice Maugham: My hesitation is as to hearing anything in the matter of this estate as I have appeared so often in it, unless there is a new point.

Mr. Evershed: It is quite a new point. I do not think you have ever advised on any question arising in this case.

Mr. Justice Maugham: Are counsel for the executors here to-day? Mr. Evershed: I am for one executor.

Mr. Justice Maugham: Does anybody think I ought not to hear the case? Mr. Evershed: I think the view is rather to the contrary.

Mr. Justice Maugham: Unless I hear there is some objection, I do not mind dealing with the case. Mr. Justice Russell had a long hearing in connection with a matter relating to duties.

Mr. Evershed: That was superfluous. The present case relates to death duty: (a) how it should be borne as between capital and income, and (b) as to the rate of duty to be paid.

YAWN DISLOCATES JAW

Mrs. Gibson, of Alicia-street, Hull, was unable to close her mouth after yawning and was taken to Hull Royal Infirmary, where it was found that she had dislocated the jawbone.

The jaw was set in its normal position and she was able to return home.

"WOLF'S CLOTHING"

COMEDY AND MYSTERY INTER-MINGLED

AT THE WORLD

A comedy with a mystery theme is being screened at the World Theatre for final performance to-day under the title of "Wolf's Clothing." The story centres around New York, presenting the capital as a place of romance.

A night of wild excitement, with surprising results is the main feature of the picture, and the audience is led on in suspense to a startling climax. Monte Blue, known as the "eternal youth," plays the leading role, with Patsy Ruth Miller supporting him. The picture is based on a story by Arthur Roche, and with a large supporting cast, a fine evening's entertainment is presented.

BRITISH TENDERS

POST OFFICE AND LOWEST OFFERS

REPLY TO CRITICISM

The campaign in favour of "Buying British" has had very remarkable results, and one sees evidence of this fact nearly everywhere—for, as a matter of fact, in very many cases to "Buy British" is to become possessed of the best article required, even though it often enough costs more. Naturally, therefore, there was a great outburst of indignation when, a short time ago, a British Government Department, the Post Office, accepted a foreign contract for bronze wire in preference to a British tender. It was argued that a Government Department should be the first to set an example in this form of patriotism.

The Postmaster-General was hotly assailed on all sides for giving the preference to a foreign tender, even though it was the lowest, and his explanation was demanded. It is now forthcoming, and he makes out what must be regarded as a very good case for his refusal to accept a British tender.

Without unduly labouring the issue it may be said that there was, in effect, only one British tender—for though some half-a-dozen firms tendered, their tenders were identical, so that they were undoubtedly the result of design and not chance. The figure quoted was between 35 and 40 per cent. above the quotations of the French and German firms who secured the contract. Further, the Postmaster-General states that the British firms were offered the contract at a price 20 per cent. above the foreign quotation, but they refused to accept it. Another statement by the Postmaster-General is well worth quoting.

He says that the Post Office suggested that the order, instead of being distributed among all the members of the group of British tenders, should be divided between one or two firms best equipped for this particular work, with the object of securing the reduction in price which should follow from concentration of manufacture at the best equipped factory. Now, this would appear to be a perfectly reasonable suggestion, but it was not accepted by the British group, who all along have declared that the tenders submitted by their firms were based on the barest margin of profit.

It would nevertheless seem that the Postmaster-General is right when he says the price in the tenders is not what he calls a competitive price. If the British tenderers cannot come nearer the Continental price than 35 to 40 per cent., the Post Office can scarcely be blamed for departing in this instance from its almost invariable rule of giving the preference to British tenders. If it can claim, as the Postmaster-General does, that 99 per cent. of the value of manufactured goods required by the Post Office is obtained from British sources, there must be very strong reasons behind this refusal to be forced into accepting what it regards as an excessively high tender. There is ample evidence that when a restrictive tariff is placed upon the entry of foreign goods, in most cases it is the signal for the home article of the same kind to rise in price, and if the Postmaster-General is convinced that this is what has happened in regard to the British prices of bronze wire, he is most assuredly justified in acting as he has done.—"Journal of Commerce."

SIXPENNY CAR PARK

A municipal car park was opened at Windsor. It has cost more than £20,000, and will accommodate 180 cars.

To make way for it 55 insanitary dwellings were pulled down.

Cars will enter from River-street and leave by Mills-lane. They will park so that any one can be driven away at a moment's notice.

The charges will be 6d. for every two hours, until six o'clock and 6d. from six o'clock to midnight. Flood-lighting will enable cars to be left without lights.

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His daughter, in 1908, learned that it had been sold in London for £50, and later again disposed of.

TO-NIGHT

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LADY WARWICK

GAMEKEEPERS' "IMPUDENT" CLAIM DISMISSED

The Countess of Warwick was sued for £100 damages at Dunmow, Essex, County Court by William Phillips, gamekeeper, for wrongful eviction from a cottage on the Easton Lodge estate.

Phillips said that he became head gamekeeper to the earl in 1920. Three years later, on the death of Lord Warwick, Lady Warwick offered him a similar post at Warwick Castle. He declined to go, and she gave him £20 to set up as a poultry farmer and told him he could live rent free in the cottage for life. He was evicted last July and had to sleep in a caravan.

The Countess of Warwick, giving evidence, denied that she ever offered Phillips a free life tenancy of the cottage. She tried to get Phillips another place, and out of philanthropy gave him the £20 to buy poultry.

Lady Warwick was asked if she offered to give Easton Lodge to the Labour Party.

She replied that she offered it to the party as a political college. She was only a life tenant.

Judge Leech said he considered it an impudent claim, and dismissed it with costs.

CARAVAN JUDGE

MR. JUSTICE EVE AT 72

Mr. Justice Eve, the Chancery Judge, who runs a farm as a hobby and is an ardent caravanist, was 72 recently.

His estate—of nearly 3,000 acres—is on Dartmoor. He has spent more than one Long Vacation touring in the west in his caravan. He drives his own horse and has been mistaken for a gipsy, a tinker, and a herbalist.

When touring he cleans his own boots and cooks his own meals.

"I turn in about nine and I am out again at five," he said once, describing his caravan life. Having cooked and eaten his meal, he seats himself on the shafts, after putting on a pipe, and lets the staid old farmhouse drag the caravan along at a steady three miles an hour.

He has frequently expressed his indifference to music. Once he remarked "It is the torture of the damned to me to hear a child playing the piano."

On another occasion he said that "Beggars my Neighbour" was the only card game he had ever played.

V.C. FOUND

MEDAL SENT TO DAUGHTER THROUGH DUKE OF YORK

Christchurch, N.Z.—Through the kind offices of the Duke and Duchess of York a Victoria Cross, won by Captain Samuel Mitchell in 1864 at Te Papa, Tauranga, has just been returned here to his daughter, after having been in London for 60 years.

When the Duke and Duchess visited New Zealand last year Miss Mitchell told them the story of her vain efforts to recover her father's V.C., and the Duke promised to help her.

The promise has been redeemed by the safe arrival of the medal. The decoration was awarded to Captain Mitchell, who captained H.M.S. "Harrier" at the attack of Te Papa, for rescuing Commander Hay, who had been mortally wounded.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Why Sailors Go Wrong?"

To-day—Star Theatre: "The Ring."

To-day—World Theatre "Wolf's Clothing."

To-day—At Ko Shing Theatre: Mei Lan Fang and his Troupe, 8 p.m.

Nov. 27—Queen's Theatre: "The King of Kings," 2.30, 6 and 9.15 p.m.

Nov. 30—St. Andrew's Ball, in the City Hall, 9.30 p.m.

Lammerts' Auction
Nov. 27—At No. 33, Humphreys Building (top floor): Kowloon, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

Sports
Nov. 27—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI v. Club de Recreo, 5 p.m.

Nov. 28—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "B" v. "C," 6.15 p.m.

Nov. 29—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI v. K.O.S.B., 5 p.m.

Nov. 30—H.K.Y.M.C.A. Basketball, "A" v. "D," 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 1—Hong Kong Jockey Club's eighth extra race meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

Meeting
Nov. 27—Monthly meeting of the Hong Kong Football Assn., 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous
To-day—St. Peter's Club debate, at the Club, 8.15 p.m.

Nov. 27—Old Bedfordian dinner in Hong Kong Club, 8 p.m.

Nov. 28—Hong Kong Fire Brigade annual drill display in the Company of the Central Police Station, 3 p.m.

Dec. 1—Rose day in aid of funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the Colony's poor.

Dec. 3—Popular lecture on "Wireless" by Major Miles, R.E., at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Dec. 9—Drawing of a Pontiac Six 5-seater sedan motor car at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's fête.

The Chinese Minister at Brussels held a reception on Oct. 10 on the occasion of the Chinese National Festival. In the course of a speech he declared, in reference to the League's refusal to re-elect China to the Council of the League of Nations, that the Chinese delegations at Geneva had not proposed to the National Government that China should withdraw from the League. The Minister also declared that the abrogation of unequal treaties was a sine qua non of frank and sincere collaboration between China and Europe, adding that while recognising material interests which had been honestly acquired in China many years ago by foreign nationals, the misery of foreign oppression in China must be done away with for ever.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SECOND TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 1st December at 9.15 p.m.

at THE THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENTS.

10 Round Lightweight Contest.

L.S. HALL v. A.B. CASTLE.

H.M.S. "Titanic" v. H.M.S. "Cumberland"

10 Round Welterweight Contest.

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CHINESE FACULTY

AT THE HONG KONG
UNIVERSITY

ONE VIEW POINT

Mr. Lung Ngan-yuk writes as
follows on the projected Chinese
faculty in the Hong Kong University
Union Magazine:—

Ever since the publication of the
Chancellor's appeal for funds for
the establishment of a Faculty of
Chinese at this University, contribu-
tions from generous citizens of
this colony have been coming in
more or less regularly. It has been
estimated that to establish such a
faculty a capital sum of \$850,000 is
necessary in order to produce, at
7% per annum, \$60,000 a year for
maintenance purposes. By the
middle of May, mainly through the
efforts of the H. K. U. School of
Chinese, Committee for Raising
Funds, the sum of \$160,000 had
been collected, which is more than
half of what the committee hopes
to raise from the Chinese com-
munity alone. Through the un-
tiring efforts of the Committee, of
which Dr. R. H. Kotevall is Chair-
man, there are solid grounds for
hope that the sum of \$300,000
aimed at will be speedily raised.

Subscriptions from two sources
may here be noted. The Adver-
tising and Publicity Bureau of this
Colony, has sent us a cheque for
\$100 with which to form a nucleus
of a fund subscribed by European
residents of the Colony. It is
pleasing to realise that there are
Europeans not connected with the
University who are willing to show
in such a practical way their
sympathy with our aims as ex-
pressed by the Chancellor. The
other notable subscription is from
Mr. Tang Chi-Ngung, a well-known
local business man. Mr. Tang's
donation of \$50,000 is in the nature
of a birthday gift and he stipu-
lates that the sum be used for
the construction of a social build-
ing for the future school of
Chinese studies. Needless to say
we are most grateful for this
generous gift as it will enable us
to go forward in the work of estab-
lishing the School without being
hampered by the lack of suitable
accommodation, as well as enabling
the committee to devote the sum
collected from other subscribers
to the maintenance of the faculty
until it has found its feet. As the
Vice-Chancellor writes: "Such
generosity should make it possible
for us to make at least a sound
beginning."

Three Aims

The University at present has
three aims in regard to the study
of Chinese. Firstly it aims at
providing a higher course in Chi-
nese for students in the Arts
Faculty. This aim has already been
fulfilled in a way, for Chinese
is now an alternative subject in all
four years of the Letters and
Philosophy group of studies,
whereas before 1927 it was only
possible to take the subject in the
first two years. It was made
possible mainly through the efforts
of the Vice-Chancellor and Dr.
Lai Chi Hsi, who together paid a
visit to Malaya during the latter
part of 1926, and succeeded in
enlisting the practical sympathy of
certain generous and wealthy Chi-
nese there. Various sums were
collected which aggregated more
than \$40,000 and as there were
pressing needs for immediate im-
provement it was decided not to put
by these sums as capital, but to
spend it on improving and
enlarging the Chinese library and
on making available facilities for
taking the subject of Chinese up to
degree stage.

Our second aim is to establish a
special department for the higher
study of Chinese apart from the
general course provided by the Arts
faculty. The Government recently
opened a special Chinese Vernac-
ular Middle School which aims
at providing an intensive course of
Chinese together with a practical
study of English as a medium of
expression. It is the intention of
the University to make the special
department for the higher study
of Chinese a continuation of this
Vernacular Middle School. The
instruction to be provided is not
intended to lead to a degree—at
least not to start with—but, as the
Vice-Chancellor says, "to some sort
of diploma." Many students have
already successfully passed through
the Vernacular Middle school and
are waiting to see the proposed
University Chinese course
materialised.

Cantonese For Foreigners

The third aim of the University
with regard to the teaching of
Chinese is the opening of a depart-
ment for the special purpose of
teaching Cantonese to foreigners
through the medium of the English
language. A step towards this
goal was made in February last year
when a small class of seven
students—consisting of four mis-
sionaries, two government cadets,
and a retired military officer, was
opened under the general control
of the Rev. H. R. Wells. Mr. Sung
Hok Pang, because of his wide ex-
perience in teaching Chinese to
foreigners, was seconded from
Queen's College to undertake the
actual teaching. The number of

students has since increased, proving
that there is a real need for this
"Language School" as it has been
called.

From what has been said, it
would seem that the aims of the
University with regard to establish-
ing increased facilities for the
study of Chinese have been fulfilled
for the most part, and that all that
is needed at present is time to see
the growth of what has already
been established. This, however,
is very far from the truth. The
equipping of the Chinese library
and the engaging of an increased
Chinese staff has necessitated
heavy expenditure, and it is a fact
that the \$40,000 odd subscribed by
the gentlemen of Malaya will be
all spent by the end of this year.
The degree course in Chinese now
in existence are by no means firmly
established and there is no
guarantee it will be a permanent
subject in the last two years of the
Letters and Philosophy course.
Dealing with the Chinese studies
in his report on the University for
1927, the Vice-Chancellor says in
part: "The financial position of the
University is unfortunately such
that unless further funds are
forthcoming by the end of the year,
there will be no alternative but to
close down the Chinese work which
is now being done in the third and
fourth year classes of the Arts
Faculty and to revert to the ar-
rangements at the beginning of last
year [1926]."

Funds Wanted

Again, the future of the Uni-
versity Language School is very un-
certain. At present it can almost
be called a makeshift class. The
Language School being really a
section of the proposed Chinese
Faculty, its future is consequently
closely bound up with the plans
of the larger scheme. Further
funds are needed if this section is
to develop as it is intended it
should develop. However, there
is more hope for the continued ex-
istence of this English Class than
there is for the other sections,
since the Government already
grants it an allowance of \$18,000 a
year.

It is clear therefore, that the
future of the Hong Kong Uni-
versity Chinese Department lies with
the efforts of the Committee for
soliciting funds, and with the
generosity of the citizens of the
Colony, both Chinese and European.
And since the success of the
Faculty will benefit all the residents
in the Colony by helping to break
down the barriers to social inter-
course and hence, promote a better
understanding between the Chinese
and the various communities here
resident, we are sure that further
generous responses to His Ex-
cellency the Chancellor's appeal
will be made before the year is
out.

FORGOT HIS CAR

LEFT IT IN STREET FOR
THREE DAYS

The Hon. W. R. Seymour
Bathurst, aged 26, of High-street,
Oxford, was summoned at Oxford
for causing an obstruction with a
motor-car and with using a car
without lights.

The chief constable said that Mr.
Bathurst put his car in Broad-
street and forgot it for three days.
It was eventually removed by the
police.

The Clerk: He has sent £1, and
asks if there is any change will I
send it back to him. (Laughter.)

Mr. Bathurst was fined £2 for
obstruction and £1 for not having
his lamp alight.

Motorist Who Went Home in a
Tramway-car
Percy Rydor, aged 40, a
Cleithropes provision dealer, was
fined 10s. at Grimsby for obstruct-
ing the highway.

It was explained that after mak-
ing a business call in his motor-
car he jumped on a tramway-car
and went home, forgetting his car,
which stood all night in the street.
"Extraordinary absent-minded-
ness," commented the stipendiary
magistrate.

Hard-up Duke



Ernst August, Duke of Brunsweick
and husband of the Princess Kai-
serswerth, Victoria Louise, who, it is
reported, is so pressed for money that
he has decided to sell his art collection.
The paintings, jewels, objects d'art and
sculptures are valued at £2,000,000.

PIPES AND PARODY

STUDENTS "RAG" FOR MR.
BALDWIN

THE LIVELY WELSH

Aberystwyth.—A "rag" is in
store for the Prime Minister when
he visits Aberystwyth to receive
the freedom of the borough and to
deliver his inaugural address at the
University College of Wales.

When he rises to speak at the
college he will be confronted by a
forest of pipes, for it has been
arranged that every student, man
or girl, shall flourish a briar while
the college yell is hurled at the
Premier.

In the streets a massed choir will
be led by "Sister Aimee," wearing
a college gown and two magnificent
white wings. The choir will sing,
to the beat of her wings:

Ol' man Stanley, that ol' man
Stanley,
He mus' know somethin': he don't
say nuffin'.

He jus' keeps puffin' his pipe.
He ain't a wizard; he ain't a hot-
'un.

His pigs is good, an' his politics is
rotten.

But ol' man Stanley,
He jus' keeps puffin' his pipe.

You an' me, we sweat an' strain;
Body all achin' an' achin' brain.
Swat this bobb; eram this page,
We earn a little cash an' we die of
age.

Can't pay taxes an' sick of tryin';
Can't afford livin' or pay for dyin'.
But ol' man Stanley,
He jus' keeps puffin' his pipe.

Grateful "Flappers"

Later six "flappers," from the
crinoline type to the modern maiden
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gashed with red to denote undying
affection and gratitude for the
vote.

SONGS OF MARS

DR. ROBINSON'S CLAIM ABOUT
WOMAN IN GREEN

In the National Laboratory of
Psychical Research at Kensington,
W., is a dictaphone record of what
Dr. Mansfield Robinson, ex-town
clerk of Shoreditch, claims to be a
Martian love song, the Martian na-
tional anthem, and the Martian
alphabet.

Dr. Robinson says that he has
been in touch with Mars, and on
a recent morning he sent a wireless
message to the planet from the
Rugby station. He is still await-
ing a reply.

Some time ago Dr. Robinson was
a member of the National Labora-
tory of Psychical Research, and he
tried to convince Mr. Harry Price,
the director, that he could get in
touch with a Martian woman known
as Oonaruru, through a woman
medium. Mr. Price told a "Daily
Mail" reporter that:

Dr. Robinson brought along a
Mrs. St. John James, and during
the seance she was supposed to be
under the control of Oonaruru.
She uttered the strangest
noises in the most peculiar way,
and it was all recorded on a
dictaphone record. This is the
record that you are listening to
now. I am afraid I was not con-
vinced that the noises came from
Mars.

Hideous Laughter

From the record came wails and
groans and hideous shrieks of
laughter.

Oonaruru is, according to Dr.
Robinson, his guide and collabora-
tor; and he describes her as "really
very sweet." He says that he has
also been in touch with a Martian
giant, known as Pavlenos. Dr.
Robinson has drawings which he
claims are likenesses of Oonaruru,
done by a medium. They show a
round-faced woman with a whin-
ical, half smiling mouth, dark pen-
etrating eyes, a curious nose, and
very small ears. She wears a
flowing green dress.

Dr. Robinson says that his spirit
has visited Mars. He travelled the
25,000,000 miles in four minutes
and saw men 7ft. 6in. and women
6ft. in height.

HALFPENNY MYSTERY

Londoners are suffering from a
glut of halfpennies, and no one
knows where they are all coming
from.

The Mint authorities say they
are issuing only "the normal
quantity." The banks say they are
not drawing on any hidden re-
serves. The London General
Omnibus Company, whose conduc-
tors sooner or later handle nearly
all the copper coins in London, dis-
claim responsibility.

Nevertheless, six people who
were asked by a "Daily Mail" re-
porter to turn out their pockets;
produced between them 662 half-
pennies, and several readers of that
paper have written to demand the
withdrawal from circulation of the
surplus of these coins.



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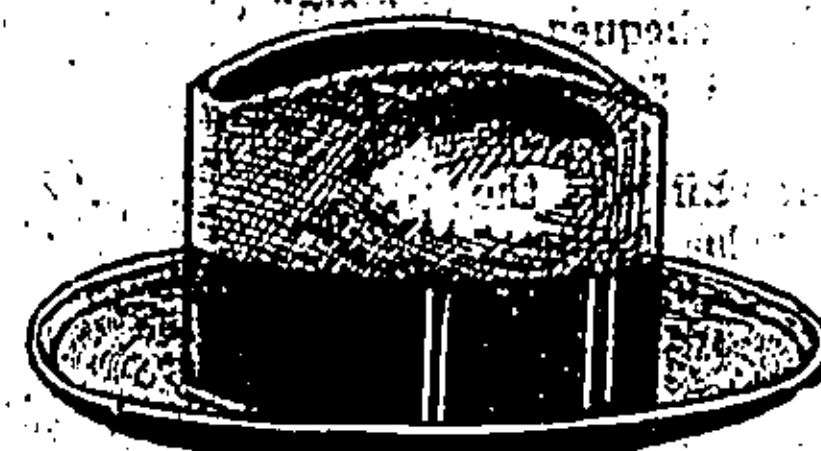
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THE K.D.R.C.

ANNUAL "AT HOME" IN
GLORIOUS WEATHER
INFORMAL MATCH

Favoured by summer-like weather, the annual "At Home" of the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club, held on Saturday afternoon, was largely attended, and proved to be a great success.

The event marked the close of the Club's bowling activities for the season, and a large number of members and friends were present.

In the afternoon, the Kowloon Dock Club played an informal match against rinks made up of visitors from other clubs in the Colony. Five rinks were played in all, but it was decided that only four should count in the aggregate, the other one, being mainly visitors, to count as an "extra."

The Kowloon Club, after some close play, were finally defeated by 54 points to 51.

The Season's Record
Tea having been served by the ladies, Mr. G. Henderson, on behalf of the Club, extended thanks to the visitors for their attendance.

As regards the Kowloon Dock Club, he could not help but feel a trifle disappointed with their performances this year. Last year they won the League without a defeat, but this year had to be content with second place. They had also lost the Singles Championship of the Colony after holding it for three years in succession. As to the Spey Royal Cup "they were soon out of that."

However, he felt he must congratulate the Craigengower Club up its success this season; and especially must he congratulate the Club de Recreio upon its success in the 2nd Division. For a club only two years old this was a really excellent achievement. He thought that some of the older clubs were becoming a little lethargic.

In conclusion, he thanked the ladies who had supervised arrangements for tea during the season.

Prize Giving
Mrs. G. Duncan then presented the Club prizes won during the season, as follows:—

Club Championship—1st Prize and Cup, C. Atkinson; 2nd, J. McKelvie; 3rd, S. Gray.

Handicap Singles—1st, F. C. Goodman; 3rd, W. M. Johnstone.

Handicap Singles (3 Bowls)—1st, C. Atkinson; 2nd, J. McKelvie; 3rd, F. Cullen.

Handicap Pairs—1st, R. Lapsley & J. McKelvie; 2nd, J. Kempton & J. A. Lindsay.

Spoons were also presented to the day's winning rinks.

Mr. Henderson then presented Mrs. Duncan with a floral bouquet and holder, amidst much applause.

Mr. G. Duncan, replying for Mrs. Duncan, said that he was sure she would be only too pleased to assist if called upon on another similar occasion. He thanked the Club and visitors for their cordial reception.

A Splendid Green
Mr. B. Wylie, President of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, speaking for the visitors, said he had not expected to make a speech. At several similar functions recently he had been called upon, until "it seems to have become a habit."

He really thought this would have been an off-day.

Continuing, Mr. Wylie said it was no fresh sight for him to see the winners; they seemed to be the same faces every year. Mr. Henderson had stated that some of the older clubs had become lethargic. Whether that was so or not, the green in front of him looked "perfectly O.K."

In fact, it looked so well that he was perhaps inclined to agree with Mr. Henderson, because "it didn't look as if it were played on much."

"It should be played on more," he added.

Mr. Wylie then called upon the visitors for three rousing cheers for the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club.

FLAT RACING ENDS

LORD DERBY WINNING
OWNER

GORDON RICHARDS AGAIN.

London, Yesterday.
The flat racing season ended yesterday with Lord Derby, for the second year in succession, at the head of the winning owners, the stakes won by him amounting to nearly \$64,000.

Last year he won stakes valued at over \$41,000.

Gordon Richards is again champion jockey with 148 winners—British Wireless Service.

NOV. HANDICAP

SARACEN WINS AT
MANCHESTER

London, Saturday.
The Manchester November Handicap resulted as follows:—

Saracen (6/1) 1
Nor West (9/1) 2
Nestorian (33/1) 3

20 run.
Won by one and a half lengths; five lengths between second and third.—Reuter.

OPEN TENNIS

THE MIXED DOUBLES
CHAMPIONSHIP

Results to date in the above competition are:—

Mrs. Lindsell and M. K. Lo beat Mrs. B. G. Grigor and J. G. Lawrie 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

Mrs. C. Blaker and L. Goldman beat Miss Osmund and C. Barretto 6-2, 6-4.

Mrs. Bennett and J. A. Cassum beat Miss Lee Tsoi-ying and Ng Szek-wong 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Miss Luard and Horace Lo beat Miss Heard and S. E. Green 6-3, 6-2.

Mrs. A. J. Kew and E. C. Fincher beat Mrs. Pankhurst and P. W. Pankhurst 6-0, 6-2.

Mrs. Hale and Lt. J. W. Hale beat Mrs. Gull and L. Luck 6-1, 6-1.

Mrs. McElerry and A. H. Crook beat Mrs. M. Hosford and C. K. Spittley 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Mrs. McCaw and P. M. Pinguet beat Miss d'Assumpcao and F. Remedios 6-2, 6-4.

Miss Enid Lo and M. W. Lo beat Mrs. James and G. W. Sewell 6-2, 6-3.

which were responded to with enthusiasm.

The scores, in detail, were as follows:—

Kowloon D.R.C. Taikoo R.C. & C.C.C.

F. C. Goodman J. Chalmers
J. Kempton D. K. Kharas
G. Duncan J. B. Chapman
R. Lapsley C. Bennett

(skip) 13 (skip) 16

Kowloon D.R.C. K.B.G.C. & Police R.C.

J. Puncheon R. Duncan
J. Crookdale R. Marks
G. Henderson C. West
S. Gray W. McFarlane

(skip) 12 (skip) 24

Kowloon D.R.C. K.C.C. & C.S.C.C.

C. Atkinson C. Burford
G. H. Cuthill B. Maughan
E. Docherty J. Gregory
F. Cullen J. Fraser

(skip) 16 (skip) 6

Kowloon D.R.C. K.B.G.C. & Police R.C.

J. S. McIntosh W. Warnock
A. M. Simpson J. Ogg
W. Greig B. Wylie
W. M. Johnstone J. McLachlan

(skip) 10 (skip) 8

Total 51 Total 54

Extra Rink

F. X. Silva D. Warren
D. Lyons P. T. Farrell
J. G. Ozorio T. Talon
L. C. R. Souza A. Holland

(skip) 10 (skip) 13

At Revere

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and his party will oppose the Club de Recreio on Wednesday at 3.30 p.m. at King's Park.

A BAD SPILL

TUMBLING IN KWANTUNG
STEEPLECHASES

THRILLS AT FANLING

Thrills galore were provided by Saturday's steeplechase races meeting for a big attendance that included a number of the Colony's leading favorites.

The enterprise of the Fanling Hunt in re-laying out the course and adding and improving accommodation at Kwantung was rewarded by enthusiasm and support from the public.

Most exciting was the third race in which there were three starters. Ace of Spades won but his rider was misinformed by an individual who told him that his last round did not count because he was on the wrong course!

The other two runners, having refused jumps, joined issue in Ace of Spades' extra circuit, one of them "beating" the real winner at the post. The Stewards, of course, took no notice of the impromptu epilogue. Mr. G. A. Harriman, who rode the favorite, came down three times in the race.

Mr. W. T. Stanton was severely injured in the second race, so much so that he had to be carried away as the result of his spill. Mr. T. C. T. Beck also took a toss, but without undue consequence. James Pigg, ridden by Mr. Abel-Smith, surprised two well-backed favorites and returned the highest dividend of the day, \$61.30, after a fine run in.

Doubts as to which is the racing track appeared in the first event in which, Borderer, the favorite, was taken along the wrong course; but the error was rectified in the nick of time and he won—to the relief of his supporters.

Jockey's Two Wins
Lieut. J. G. Shillington, of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers, was the only rider to get more than one first, catching the Judge's eye on Ace of Spades and Dumbell.

Among those noticed in the members' enclosure were H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Lt.-Col. L. J. Comyn, and Mr. C. M. S. Alves, who is now the handicapper for steeplechases as well as flat racing.

The Band of the 1st Batt. the Queen's Royal Regt., under Bandmaster H. Perry, A.R.C.M., was in attendance.

Improvements
Now about the improvements and changes effected during the summer.

The enclosures, paddock, betting booths, etc., are now close to the road, thereby saving a tramp of 300 yards over the course.

The winning post has, necessarily, been removed with the stands. The straight is about 300 yards along, with a run in of about 200 yards. Except for the stretch in front of the stands, there are two tracks all round.

High side-fences have been put up at each jump to prevent, as far as possible, ponies running wide when shirking.

More Room
Both the members' and the public enclosure are more roomy than of yore and more comfortable. And there is no need whatever to crowd in the pari-mutuel and cash sweep stands where the arrangements have also been improved.

The paddock is conveniently situated with the jockeys' room close by and there is a match for the sale of refreshments.

An innovation is the provision of a ladies' cloak room in the grandstand.

Press Pay More
The new travelling arrangements are better than those in the past. For \$2 the public gets admission and a return train ticket; there is the additional 10 cents motor-bus fare each way from Fanling station to the course, making a total outlay of \$2.20 for the public, not taking into consideration the cross-harbour ferry. The cost before was \$1.50 (train), 40 cents to and fro on the branch line railway—which, happily, is not run now—plus \$1 admission, or \$2.90 in all.

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LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.
Paris 124.10
New York 4.85 1/32
Brussels 34.89
Geneva 25.19
Amsterdam 12.08 1/2
Milan 92.55
Berlin 20.35
Stockholm 18.14
Copenhagen 18.19
Oslo 18.19
Vienna 34.49 1/2
Prague 163 1/2
Helsinki 192 1/2
Madrid 30.08
Lisbon 108 1/2
Athens 375
Bucharest 805 1/2
Rio 5 29/32
Buenos Aires 47 15/32
Bombay 1/6 1/32
Shanghai 2/7 1/2
Hong Kong 2/0
Yokohama 1/10 7/8
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MLLE. BRAUN

ANOTHER SWIMMING
RECORD

Swimming record was broken by Mlle. Braun who covered the 400 metres breast stroke event in six minutes 45 3/5 seconds, about one second less than the previous record.—Reuter.

[This lady's previous exploit is described on page 10 in this issue.]

RECORD BREAK

WILLIE SMITH PUTS UP
2,743

Manchester, Yesterday.
Playing in a billiards match against Newman, Willie Smith made a break of 2,743. This is a world's record under the revised rules, breaking the previous best score of 1,487 made by Smith in the same match last Wednesday.—Reuter.

To-night the basket ball team of the local Y.M.C.A. plays the U.S. "Sacramento" in the gymnasium in Bridge-street, and the billiard team plays the European Y.M.C.A. at the latter's building in Salisbury-road.

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North China Insurance \$160 b
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China Underwriters \$24 s
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Benguet \$24 b
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Shanghai Loans \$78 n
Ranba \$64 b
Tronoh Mines \$176 n
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H.K. & S. Docks \$37 n
China Providents \$405 b 5.10 s
Hongkong \$158 n
New Engineering \$54 n
Shanghai Docks \$103 n
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Shai Cottons (Gid) \$764 s
do. (new) \$734 b
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do. (new) \$935/40 s a
Hongkong Lands \$604 n
Shanghai Lands \$718 s
Humphreys Estates \$154 s
Hongkong Realities \$84 n
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H.K. Tramways \$104 b & s a
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SOCCER

LAI WAH CUP MATCH

CHINESE IN FINAL

[By Rover]
The big match at the Valley, attracted a great crowd, and the game was of a thrilling description, with heaps of good play. The result was in the balance till the final whistle. Chinese finesse told the tale in the end, but the Civilian side put up a good show, losing by the odd goal in five.

The Borderers secured 11 goals against R.A. and the Navy 9 against Kowloon juniors.

Lai Wah Cup Semi-Final

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R.A.F. 1 South China B 4

South China 2 Small Units 4

University 0 Recreation 0

Navy 0 Kowloon 0

* Off, owing to "Varsity" examinations.

Friendly Match

Kowloon 9 Army XI 0

LAI WAH CUP: SEMI-FINAL

Civilians v. Chinese

Before a large crowd at the Club ground, after a thrilling game, the Chinese qualified for the final with the Army. The match was a fine one, with the Chinese just worth their win, but there was not much in it.

The teams lined out as follows:—

Civilians:—Clark (Police); Wynne (Police), Bishop (Club); McKelvie (Kowloon), Stewart (Club), Hedley (Kowloon); Pile (Police), Gosano (Recreation), Goldman (Club), Rocha (Recreation), Brown (Recreation).

Chinese:—Ip Chan-tung (Athletic); Ng Kam-chun (Athletic); Lai Yuk-tat (Athletic); Li Tinsung (South China), Wong Shui-wah (Athletic), Lam Yuk-ying (Athletic); Tso Kwai-shing (Athletic), Lai Wai-keon (Athletic), Fung King-chung (South China), Suen Kam-shun (Athletic), Chan Kwong-ju (Athletic).

Referee:—Eng. Wt. W. Barber, R.N.

A packed ground heralded the appearance of the teams. The Civilians were at full strength, Gosano appearing, but China played Li Tinsung for Leung Yuk-tung and Ip Chan-tung in goal for Pau Ka-ping.

Stewart won the toss and China started, the Civilians raising the hopes of the crowd with a bright effort, a corner being forced; the post saved China.

Deft footwork by Goldman, who back heeled to Gosano, predicted bright play, and the Civilians ought to have taken the lead early.

China came away and Clarke saved splendidly from Chan, the Chinese winger simply leaving the defence behind in a big effort.

First Blood
China scored first after brilliant play by Fung, who put Suen in possession. The inside left shot hard but the ball was got away to Tso.

The winger put in a lovely centre, which was converted amidst great excitement and China thus drew first blood with a brilliant goal after five minutes' play.

The Civilians got down to their work but the defence appeared slow and China were going strong.

Goldman's Goal
Goldman led a great burst and Pile shot weakly behind. After a big bit of defence by Wynne, Pile got the ball over and Goldman, in a fine effort, levelled the scores.

The game was fought at a great pace and the Civilians were going strong, but a free kick, nicely placed by Lam Yuk-ying, was smashed in the net by Tso Kwai-shing and China again led.

Good forward work by the Civilians was not rewarded. Pile at outside right being off his game. Suen was nearly through with a great shot.

The Chinese goalie then saved in fine style from Rocha, but a determined effort by Goldman, who went right through on his own, again brought the scores level and at half time the teams turned over two-all.

A Classy Game
The second half opened with a big effort by the Civilians, but the Chinese backs were kicking very sure and end-to-end play proceeded at a great pace, a big chance to China being put just over by Lai Wai-keon.

Fung, in the centre for China, was playing a classy game and Suen and Chen were giving a big show on the left for China but Wynne was watching his man, and the Police back was cheered for many fine clearances.

Slackness in the Civilian defence, however, allowed Suen to go right through and the inside left crashed a shot past Clarke which the goalie had no chance with.

The Civilians hardly deserved to be down at this stage but the

China team was much quicker and with this goal advantage played bright football.

Brown raised the hopes of the Civilians and Goldman and Gosano both came very near in big efforts, but China held on to their lead and the game ended with the Chinese just winning by 3 goals to two.

A Fine Match
It was a fine match and the large crowd enjoyed every minute, full League time being played, and the pace throughout was very hot.

The Civilians were not so well together as the Chinese, although they possessed brilliant individualists. Clarke and Wynne were great in defence, the full back playing a masterly game, and McKelvie, despite a trying time, was the best of a hard worked trio. Hedley improved as the game proceeded, but Stewart was beaten by China's clever insides often and could not assist his forwards.

Only Goldman and Gosano of the forwards played on top of their form, these two, especially the Shanghai centre, giving a classy display. Goldman well demonstrated his abilities as an opportunist.

Rocha was not at his best and Brown was variable, with Pile dead off, which was a misfortune for the Civilians.

The Chinese
Ip Chan-tung played well in the Chinese goal and the backs kicked with great accuracy. Lam Yuk-ying was the best of a good half back line, but Li Tinsung, who came in at half back, gave a very creditable display.

Fung at centre forward for China was the constructive artist and Suen and Lai were given great chances to display their skill. Suen was on top form and with Chen, made a great wing, while Tso, on the extreme right, at times was brilliant.

Better Team Won
On the day's play the better team won, mainly through combination and superior understanding, but the Civilians' display was a very good one and they kept ever trying.

Division II

K.O.S.B. v. R.A.

As was expected the K.O.S.B. proved much too good for the R.A. team. The K.O.S.B. opened the score about a minute after the start, and they were constantly pressing, and very dangerous in front of the goal. Crawley for the K.O.S.B. was very dangerous and Rawlings and McCutcheon, the R.A. backs, were very hard pressed.

For the R.A. Gardner played a fairly good game and Bridgeman tested Fox, the K.O.S.B. goalkeeper, once or twice but could not find the net. The K.O.S.B. had most of the play in the first half and the whistle blew for half time with K.O.S.B. leading by four clear goals.

The second half found the K.O.S.B. still pressing very hard and Crawley again found the net with a beautiful shot. The play for a considerable time was all in the R.A. half, and the R.A. backs were kept working the whole time. Craig scored next, to be followed again by Crawley.

A penalty was awarded the K.O.S.B. for hands by Rawlings in the penalty area, but the R.A. goalkeeper saved. The K.O.S.B. were far superior, and the final whistle blew with the K.O.S.B. easy winners by 11 clear goals. Crawley scored 3, Barras 1, Teal 1 and Craig 1.

Referee:—Pte. Lamb, R.A.M.C. K.O.S.B.:—Fox, Bird, Martin; McGee, McNight, Hume; Barras, Hart, Crawley, Teal, Craig.

R.A.:—Parkes; Rawlings, McCutcheon; Finn, Riden, Radford; Allen, Walker, Bridgeman, Watson, Gardner.

S.C.A.A. "B" v. R.A.F.

Played at Kowloon on the Recreation ground. The R.A.F. started in good style, their forwards passing cleverly. The Chinese team, however, were soon to the fore. Ip Koon-ning capturing the ball off Gallagher. After some ineffectual attempts to penetrate the defence of the Airmen, Ip Koon-ling broke through and registered the first goal for his side.

Soon afterwards L. A. C. Marven, had the misfortune to be injured and the Airmen resumed play minus their right half.

The R.A.F. pressed hard and very clever passing brought them repeatedly in front of the Chinese goal, but bad shooting and the fine form of the South China goalkeeper prevented them from scoring. The Chinese on the other hand made the most of their chances and a straight run through by Chem Chit-ming, their centre-forward, gave them their second goal.

The interval saw the R.A.F. still 2 goals down.

Soon after the resumption the Airmen were awarded a penalty, which was taken by Greenslade, who scored with a shot that gave the goalie no chance.

The Chinese, however, had the game well in hand and were awarded a penalty which was taken by their inside right.

It was a bad shot and went well over the cross bar. The team work of the Airmen was very good but they missed their chances.

A throw in gave the ball to the South China inside left who scored with a good shot from the wing. The Airmen continued to press hard and were unlucky not to score. The Chinese centre forward, who played a very good game, registered the final goal for his side. He cleverly trapped the ball from a pass by the outside left and scored with a shot which the goalie just missed.

The R.A.F. centre, Greenslade, played a good game as did Valles, their left back. The injured player, Marven, was also in good form and the Airmen were unfortunate in losing him so early in the game.

S.C.A.A. "B" 4
Royal Air Force 1
R.A.F.:—Jarvis; Chambers, Valles; Panton, Greenslade, Marven; Plunkett, Gallagher, Steele, Buckland, Lock.

South China "B":—Kwok Mok-hoi; Pank Chak-lan, Wong Kam-ling; Shin Ping-shim, Ip Kwan-hong, To Kwann; Cho Kam-fook, Ip Koon-ning, Chem Chit-ming, Chu Kwok-luen, Ip Yan-suen.

SMALL UNITS v. S. CHINA A

A very good game was witnessed at Caroline-hill, the Small Units having strengthened their team considerably. The Small Units opened the game, settling down to quick and accurate passing, which gave the South China backs a very anxious time.

McAuslan and Lavender played well for the Small Units. Shortly after the commencement of the game McAuslan opened the score for the Small Units' heading a beautiful pass which gave Lo Yat-ming, the South China goalkeeper, no chance.

South China then pressed hard and Pritchard and Corbett, the Small Unit backs, were kept very busy. Due Sze-chuen being very dangerous. The Small Units got away again and Lavender scored the second goal for them, beating the goalkeeper with a first timer.

For South China, Chan So was playing well. The whistle blew for half time with the score of two to nil in favour of Small Units.

The second half opened with South China pressing but found the Small Units' backs very formidable. Then South China scored through Tui Yok-on. This bucked South China up considerably and they worked hard to equalise.

However the Small Units mastered the ball and Lavender scored again for them with a good shot. South China again pressed and Tui scored another goal for them. A keen, clean game took place and the Small Units scored again through Hogg, then the final whistle blew.

The Small Units have a stronger team and should do much better in the League.

Small Units 4 (Lavender 2, McAuslan 1, Hogg 1).

South China 2 (Tui Yok-on 2).

Small Units: Pritchard, Corbett; Creasdale, Walker, Twelves; Lavender, Hogg, Elliott, McAuslan, Coates.

South China "A": Lo Yat-ming; Lan Hon-wing, Cheung Wing-shing; Tsang King-ki, Ko Sik-wai, Tui Yok-on; Tang Man, Tan Kong-pak, Chan So, Due Sze-chuen, Due Che-tak.

NAVY (B) v. KOWLOON RES.

At the Valley the Navy fielded a very strong side and won easily against Kowloon 2nd XI who were beaten in all departments.

The teams lined out as follows:—

Navy (B):—Price ("Tamar"); Willis ("Cumberland"), Carey ("Hermes"); Usher ("Hermes"); Mist ("Tamar"); Sturtevant ("Hermes"); Balcombe ("Titania"); Sorbie ("Tamar"); Skull ("Tamar"); Herbert ("Titania"); Honey ("Titania").

Kowloon:—Angus; Nicholls, Hast; Moore, Easterbrook, Robson; Hannan, Moss, Morgan, Blacklock, Eastman.

Referee:—Sergt. Toms.

The Navy started in great form down the slope. After Angus had cleared from Herbert, Balcombe secured and scored in the first few minutes. Kowloon made headway on the left, Eastman showing good pace, but Navy returned and Skull and Balcombe scored again in quick succession.

Hannan came near for Kowloon, but Carey relieved and Navy, taking up the running, Skull scored again. Kowloon were slow in defence. Skull got through again in easy style, the Navy leading 5 goals to nil at half time.

The second half Kowloon tried an altered defence, but Skull was again through in easy fashion, and although Angus saved some hot ones, the Navy centre forward, who was in great form, added two more rather easily.

Kowloon had hard luck as Eastman showed the defence a clean pair of heels and, centring nicely, Moss just missed. Navy scored again, a big shot by Herbert close in bringing the total up to nine. Navy were almost a first division side and Balcombe, Skull (who got 6 goals) and Sorby were too smart forwards for Kowloon, while Usher, Sturtevant, and Willis were good in a sound defence.

Kowloon made many good attempts, mainly through Eastman and Hannan, the wingers. Robson, Easterbrook, Blacklock, and Angus struggled gamely in a poor defence.

GARRISON LEAGUE

The results for November, so far, are:—

C Company, Queen's, 1; MG. Company, K.O.S.B., 1.

12th H Bty., E.A., 7; D. Company, Queen's, 1.

R.A.O.C., 0; A. Company, K.O.S.B., 8.

C Company, K.O.S.B., 3; MG. Company, Queen's, 5.

A. Company, K.O.S.B., 1; B. Company, Queen's, 2.

C. Company, Queen's, 4; 12th H. Bty., R.A., 1.

C. Company, K.O.S.B., 3; MG. Company, K.O.S.B., 3.

MG. Company, K.O.S.B., 2; 12th H. Bty., R.A., 3.

Matches for Next Week.

Tuesday, 27.—R.A.M.C. v. H. Wing, K.O.S.B., Sookumpoo. Referee, Pte. Parker, K.O.S.B.

31st.—H. Bty., R.A., v. 20th H. Bty., R.A., Chatham-road. Referee, Lieut. Kelley, K.O.S.O.

Thursday, 29.—12th H. Bty., R.A., v. B. Company, K.O.S.B., Sookumpoo. Referee, Cpl. Hunt, R.A.O.C.; R.A.O.C. & R.A.S.C. v. C. Company, K.O.S.B., Happy Valley. Referee, Sgt. Toms, R.A.

Friday, 30.—20th H. Bty., R.A., v. MG. Company, K.O.S.B., Chatham-road. Referee, L/Cpl. Grieve, K.O.S.B.

Charity Match

The annual match in aid of Naval and Army Charities, will take place between the Royal Navy versus the Army, on Tuesday, December 18.

GOLF

FANLING COURSE RECORD BROKEN

THE STEWART CUP

At Fanling yesterday A. B. Stewart won the Jasper Clark Cup with the very good return of 154, being closely followed by Shewan and Marton. Though Shewan took 86 to go round in the morning, he broke the course record (71) with a splendid 70 in the afternoon.

Player	Score	Player	Score
A. B. Stewart	76	78	154
I. W. Shewan	86	70	156
O. E. C. Marton	76	82	158
T. G. Bennett	81	83	164
R. L. Andrews	84	80	164
G. G. MacDonald	82	165	165
A. H. Ferguson	88	77	165
J. M. Walker	82	165	165
G. Murray	91	77	168
R. H. Hollis	86	168	168
A. T. Lay	84	165	168
R. K. Valentine	83	167	170
H. H. Lennox	86	168	172
K. S. Robertson	85	167	172
F. J. De Rome	88	164	172
A. E. Lissaman	84	175	175
T. L. Christie	86	89	175

* To play off.

Player	Score	Player	Score
E. D. Black	94	82	176
Col. Bostock	88	88	176
Major Beamish	91	86	177
L. G. S. Dodwell	85	92	177
W. J. Clerk	90	88	178
A. B. Raworth	88	90	178
R. Young	89	90	179
R. K. Hepburn	88	92	180
A. Leach	94	86	180
N. L. Smith	86	95	181
I. Newton	90	92	182
E. D. Lawrence	94	90	184
F. A. Redmond	90	94	184
D. J. Gilmore	92	93	185
A. D. Humphreys	96	96	192

SWIMMING

DUTCH LADY'S BACK-STROKE RECORD

Brussels, Yesterday.
At a swimming fete here the Dutch woman Mademoiselle Braun, the winner of the hundred metres backstroke at the Olympic Games, established a new world record over two hundred metres, back-stroke, of 2 minutes, 59 and one-fifth seconds. The record was previously held by the American, Miss Bauer, of 3 minutes, and four-fifths seconds.—Reuter.

TROJAN TOURERS.

SOLID TIRES

THE "NO-TROUBLE" CAR

LANE, CRAWFORD'S GARAGE

ENGLISH CUP

SATURDAY'S FIRST ROUND RESULTS

LEAGUE MATCHES

London, Saturday.

Spennymoor 5, Hartlepool 2.

Wrexham 0, Carlisle 1.

Wigan 2, Ashington 0.

Chesterfield 3, Rochdale 2.

Gainsboro 3, Crewe 1.

Shirebrook 2, Mansfield 4.

Tranmere 2, Rotherham 1.

Darlington 3, New Brighton 0.

Grantham 1, Rhyll Ath. 0.

Anfield P.M. 1, Southport 4.

Accrington 2, Sth. Shields 1.

Lancaster 1, Lincoln 3.

Bradford C. 4, Doncaster 1.

York City 0, Barrow 1.

Horwich R.M.I. 1, Scarbro' 2.

Stockport 1, Halifax 0.

Gillingham 0, Torquay 0.

Yeovil & P. 1, Plymouth 4.

Poole 1, Bournemouth 4.

Brentford 4, Brighton 1.

Gulford 4, Queen's P.R. 2.

Merthyr 4, Dulwich Ham. 2.

Norwich 6, Chatham 1.

Walsall 3, Worcester 1.

Leyton 0, Watford 2.

Newport 7, Woking 0.

Bristol R. 2, Wellingsbro' 1.

Peterboro' 0, Charlton 2.

Crystal Pal. 2, Kettering 0.

Sittingbourne 2, Southall 1.

Northfleet 5, Ilford 2.

Exeter 6, Barking 0.

Coventry 1, Fulham 4.

Luton 5, Southend 1.

Division I.

Arsenal 2, Aston Villa 5.

Birmingham 3, Burnley 6.

Blackburn 1, Leicester 1.

Bolton 4, West Ham 1.

Derby 3, Leeds 4.

Everton 1, Bury 0.

Huddersfield 6, Sheffield U. 1.

Manchester C. 1, Cardiff 1.

Portsmouth 0, Newcastle 1.

Wednesday 3, Liverpool 2.

Sunderland 5, Manchester U. 1.

Division II.

Barnsley 2, Hull 2.

Blackpool 3, Millwall 0.

Bradford 4, Wolves 1.

Bristol C. 2, Tottenham 1.

Chelsea 3, Port Vale 3.

Clapton 3, Middlesbro' 0.

Grimsby 2, Southampton 1.

Notts. Forest 1, Reading 2.

Stoke 1, Oldham 1.

Swansea 1, Notts. County 0.

West Brom. 1, Preston N. E. 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Clyde 2, Rangers 3.



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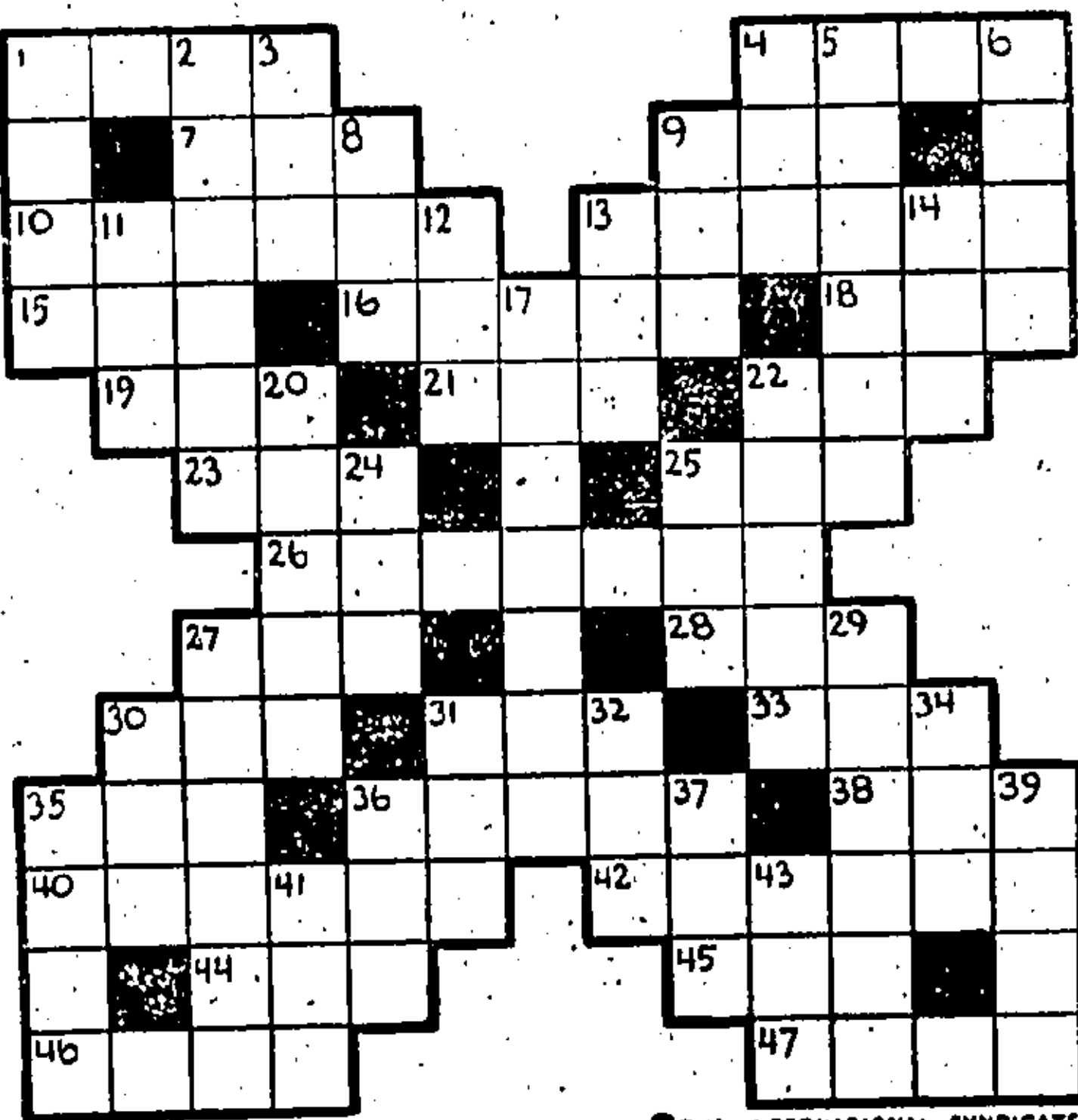
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

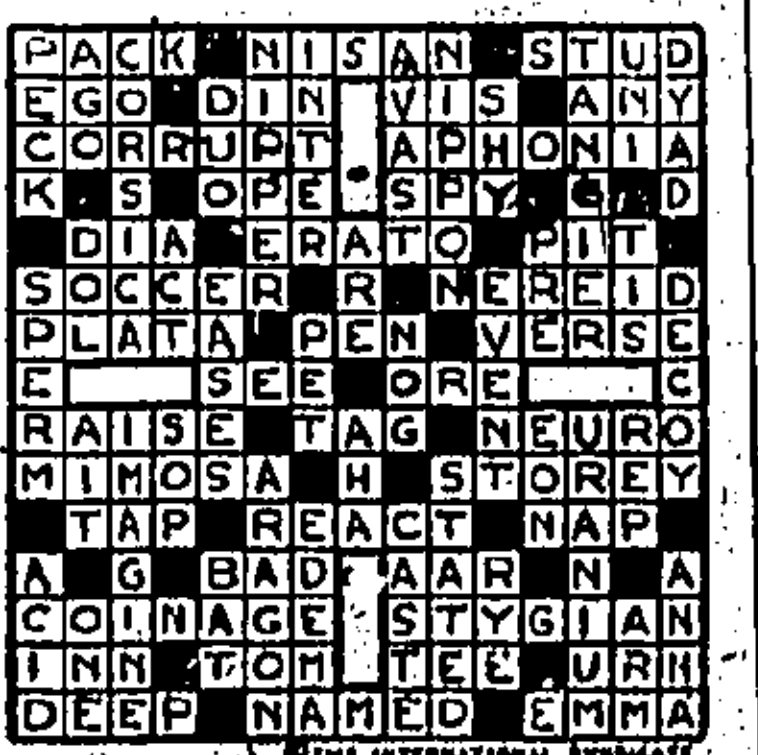
(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1—The goddess of youth | 33—Inflamed | 13—Epoch |
| 4—Feeling | 35—Anathematize | 14—Doze |
| 7—To gnaw | 36—A small tree | 17—Disparaged |
| 8—An age | 38—Ocean | 20—Heather |
| 10—Capital of Spain | 40—Accompany | 22—To make hard and unfeeling |
| 13—Weasel-like animal | 42—Surgical instrument | 24—Barn pest |
| 15—Measure of length | 44—Metric land measure | 25—Sum. Of the nature of |
| 16—Pile's title (Mexico) | 45—So (Scott) | 27—Chinese game |
| 18—Be allowed | 46—A noted educator | 29—Father of antiseptic surgery |
| 19—To make a licking sound | 47—English street car | 30—Tangled |
| 21—Yes | VERTICAL | 31—Ancient |
| 22—To slip | 1—A piece of harness | 32—King (Latin) |
| 23—Blamish | 2—Upstart | 34—Golf mound |
| 25—Pronoun | 3—Part of head | 35—Brewers' yeast |
| 26—To throttle in order to rob | 4—A boy's name | 36—One (boat) |
| 27—Corpulent | 5—Intention | 37—Railways (abbr.) |
| 28—A fish | 6—Playing card | 39—Subject of a book by Bulwer Lytton |
| 31—Cover (psst.) | 7—Tilt | 41—Eagle |
| | 8—Rather than | 43—Rested |
| | 11—Entirely | |
| | 12—Period of time | |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong during November, 1928, (standard time for the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), is as follows:—		
Nov.	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
26	6.43	5.58
27	6.44	5.58
28	6.45	5.58
29	6.45	5.58
30	6.46	5.58

A BAD SPILL

(Continued from Page 9.)
Turf correspondents, however, are penalised. Whereas it cost them \$1.50 plus 40 cents to "cover" a meeting in the past, they now have to pay \$2 (for which they get an admission ticket which they do not use) and 20 cents for bus, or \$2.20 all told as against \$1.90 before. But the extra 30 cents is worth it, if only for the better Press box with seats, the latter also being a concession!

The Big Sweeps

The big sweep on the 4th race, tickets at \$1 each, resulted as follows:—
No. 1949 \$5,094.18
" 1128 1,455.48
" 14 727.74

Drawers of other ponies receive \$67.88 each. Tickets Nos.:—4,597, 8,243, 7,854, 8,330, 1,158, 1,862, 11,259, 5,571, 11,812, 8,541, 11,526, 1,103.

The \$5 Sweeps

The ordinary \$5 sweeps on each race resulted as follows:—

Race 1	
No. 25	\$70.70
" 18	20.20
" 6	10.10
Unplaced Nos. (\$5 each):—33, 3, 16, 5, 19.	

Race 2	
No. 35	\$98
" 25	28
" 20	14
Unplaced Nos. (\$10 each):—12, 16, 32, 21.	

Race 3	
No. 33	\$135.10
" 16	38.60
" 12	19.30

Race 4	
No. 29	\$108.50
" 14	31
" 6	15.50
Unplaced Nos. (\$10 each):—36, 19.	

Race 5	
No. 47	\$162
" 34	54

Race 1.—Autumn Maidens, about 1 mile, winner \$75, 2nd \$25. For all China ponies that have never won a steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at Kwant allowed 5 lbs. Entry \$5.

Lt. Col. Comyn's Borderer 150 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Bjuke's Solitaire 153 lbs. (Mr. Fischer) 2
Mr. Richardson's Cumberland 154 lbs. (Mr. Richardson) 3

Mr. Austin's District Call 158 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 0
Dr. Durran's Drake 152 lbs. (Mr. Durran) 0
Mr. Highe's Maskee 155 lbs. (Mr. McCartney) 0

Mr. Davidson's Nobleman 153 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 0
Mr. Pott's Social Call 158 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0
Pari-mutuel: Winner \$13.10; Places, 1st \$7.90, 2nd \$9.00, 3rd \$23.10.

Winner Places	
Borderer	43 37
District Call	80 33
Solitaire	18 27
Social Call	13 21
Drake	12 15
Cumberland	5 6
Nobleman	3 8
Maskee	2 4

There were eight starters. When they got off, Cumberland and Solitaire led, with Borderer next. These three showed the way, with Cumberland losing ground after ¼ mile.

Borderer was well ridden and forged ahead, but the other ponies were also hard ridden. Borderer, with a lead of many lengths, took the wrong course in the straight. His rider endeavored to get him past the post by the left of the hurdles whereas the proper course was on the right. Mr. Clark realised his mistake just in time and turned sharply to the right track.

By this time, Solitaire had passed him. Came a close struggle, with Borderers emerging winner by a short head. Cumberland was a good third and District Call was very close behind. Maskee refused every hurdle but Mr. McCartney did not give up until his mount had taken three jumps. Borderer was the favourite.

Race 2.—Heavyweight Stakes, about 7 furlongs, winner \$75, 2nd \$25. For China ponies. Catch weights 168 lbs. Entry \$5.

Mr. Macnamara's James Pigg 170 lbs. (Mr. Abel-Smith) 1
Mr. Mattingley's Dumbell 178 lbs. (Mr. Mattingley) 2
Lt. Col. Comyn's Durham 168 lbs. (Mr. Shillington) 3

Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper 168 lbs. (Mr. Macgown) 0
Messrs. Stanton and Reid's Six Hundred 168 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0

Mr. Bjuke's Solitaire 200 lbs. (Mr. Bjuke) 0
Mr. Beck's Strathorne 178 lbs. (Mr. Beck) 0

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$61.30; Places 1st \$7.50, 2nd \$8.80, 3rd \$6.60.

Winner Places	
Dumbell	48 53
Durham	47 60
Blotting Paper	29 30
Six Hundred	16 37
James Pigg	14 37
Strathorne	6 9
Solitaire	1 5

Defeated in the first race, Solitaire started again here, carrying 200 lbs.
Six Hundred and Dumbell led at the start, closely attended by Solitaire and Blotting Paper. James Pigg, the successful outsider, began slowly and Dumbell was many lengths in front of the field when half the journey had been covered.

Durham then gained on the leader as did James Pigg who made up arrears rapidly.
Dumbell, however, was two lengths in front when clearing the last hurdle but lost ground in the straight and had to be satisfied with second place. Durham was a poor third. Mr. Beck was thrown by Strathorne but not injured.

Mr. Stanton, on Six Hundred, was thrown at the last fence, just when his mount was overhauling Durham. He was seriously injured and had to be rushed to a neighbouring house. He was suffering from concussion of the brain and abrasions to the head and face.

Race 3.—Autumn Plate, about 1½ miles, for a cup, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$25. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entry \$5.

Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades 158 lbs. (Mr. Shillington) 1
Dr. Pierce Grove's Siang River 155 lbs. (Mr. Morgan) 2
Messrs. Chan and Rafeek's Fanling Stag 158 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 3

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$12.40; Place 1st \$12.70.

Winner Places	
Fanling Stag	98 29
Ace of Spades	70 18
Siang River	25 4

Mowgli might have started favourite here but for the injury to Mr. Stanton.

Ace of Spades cracked the pace with Siang River next and Fanling Stag last.
After ¼ mile, Ace of Spades was leading by six lengths from Fanling Stag who was the same distance ahead of Siang River, Fanling Stag refused just before the first mile was completed, throwing Mr. Harriman who, however, remounted and continued a long way behind.

Siang River also refused, ½ mile from home, and Ace of Spades finished alone.

On passing the winning post, Mr. Shillington was told that he had taken the wrong track, someone running on to the field to tell him so—whereas this was not the case. Mr. Shillington therefore rode on again to go round once more.

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Meanwhile, Fanling Stag, had been persuaded to jump and these two raced neck-and-neck. Mr. Harriman was again thrown, but Ace of Spades was not alone this time.
Siang River, remounted by Mr. Morgan, hunted Ace of Spades home and beat him at the post.
The Stewards, however, decided that Ace of Spades had won when he past the winning post alone. Siang River was awarded second place. Fanling Stag was favourite.

Race 4.—November Handicap, about 1½ miles, winner \$75, 2nd \$25. For China ponies. Entry \$5.

Dr. Pierce Grove's Little River 140 lbs. (Mr. Morgan) 1
Mr. Fischer's Tamerlan 152 lbs. (Mr. Fischer) 2
Mr. Maas' Caviare 160 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 3

Dr. MacGown's Honeymoon 152 lbs. (Mr. Macgown) 0
Mr. Greenbob's Shella 140 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 0

Pari-mutuel: Winner \$36.10; Places 1st \$10.70, 2nd \$8.60.

Winner Places	
Caviare	76 48
Tamerlan	68 52
Little River	24 31
Honeymoon	15 22
Shella	10 14

The five runners were sent off well together. Little River showed out and led all the way to win without being extended. He had speed and jumped to perfection.

The fight for second place began early in the race, Tamerlan and Caviare fighting the whole distance; the former passed the post half a length ahead of Caviare.

All five ponies finished, Honeymoon being a poor fourth and Shella was many lengths to the rear.

Race 5.—"Fall" Stakes, once round, winner \$75, 2nd \$25. For China ponies that have started at this meeting and not won. Weight for inches as per scale. Forced entry \$5.

Mr. Mattingley's Dumbell 158 lbs. (Mr. Shillington) 1
Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper 155 lbs. (Mr. Macgown) 2

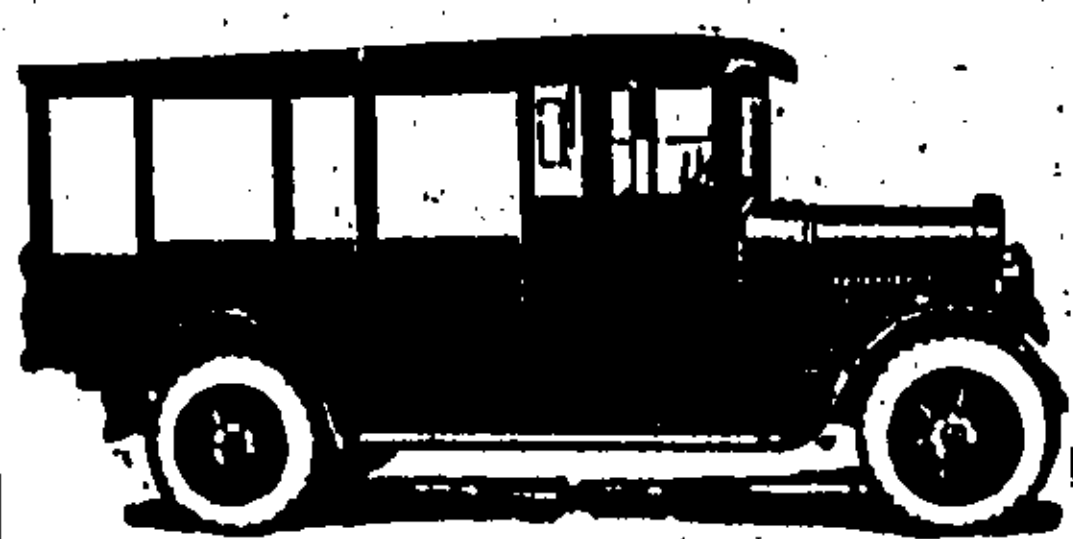
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There was only one backer in the pari-mutuel.—Router.

RECORD DIVIDEND

SHANGHAI PONY PAYS \$10,841

Shanghai, Yesterday.
S. C. Chang, riding Garrison at the Chinese Jockey Club race meeting, this afternoon, won, his mount paying a record dividend of \$10,841.70.



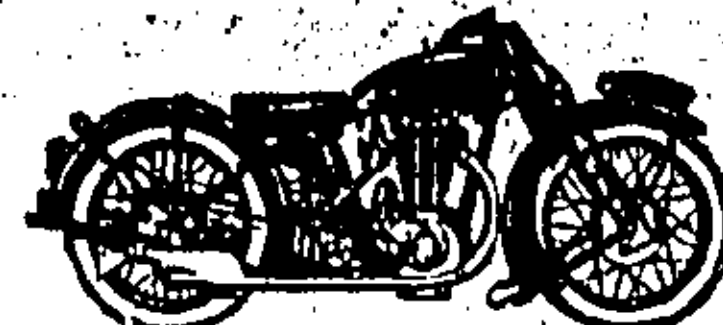
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This mail is due in Seattle on the 17th December.

XMAS LETTER MAIL FOR CANADA AND U.S.A. AND PARCEL MAIL FOR CANADA.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26.
Straits	Atsuta Maru	
Straits	Talamba	
Shanghai and Amoy	Linan	
Straits and London (Parcels London, 25th Oct.)	Glauco	

From	Per	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London, 3rd Oct., 6th and 7th Nov.)	Antenor	
Straits	Cremer	

From	Per	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29.
Japan	Tanda	
Japan and Shanghai	Kitano Maru	
Japan and Shanghai	Karmala	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26.
Foochow	Tsugaru Maru	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	4.30 p.m.

For	Per	TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco	President Grant	4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Manila	City of Perth	1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	2 p.m.
Saigon	Solviken	2.30 p.m.

For	Per	WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt, and Europe (except United Kingdom) via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th Dec. K.P.O. Registration 8 p.m. Letters 4.30 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Antenor	
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Hanoi	5 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

ENGLAND'S FIERCE WEEK-END GALE

MANY INCIDENTS SHIPPING & COMMUNICATIONS DISORGANISED.

TRAINS DERAILED

London, Yesterday.
A British Wireless message from London, dated Nov. 25, states:—A gale again raged over England today and wireless messages report violent seas to the west and in the North Sea and English Channel.

Lifeboats have been called out in several places and have effected gallant rescues. Twenty-three lives were saved and one life lost when the new Brighton lifeboat set out to assist the French steamer "Emile Delmas" of 2,000 tons yesterday. After fighting through tremendous seas for 15 miles, the lifeboat reached the vessel, whose anchor cables had broken. The crew jumped for it and were hauled safely aboard, although this took over an hour. Then a huge wave washed two of the crew and the Chief Engineer of the French steamer overboard, the last named being drowned. Captain Cousin of the "Emile Delmas" paid a warm tribute to the bravery of the lifeboat's crew.

The arrivals and departures of liners have been delayed. Sir Austen Chamberlain and party were due to arrive in London from Canada to-day, but owing to the weather the s.s. "Regina," on which they travelled, was late in docking at Liverpool, having to await her turn.

On the land extensive minor damage has been done by the gale. Weather forecasts anticipate a continuance of rough conditions.

"Unusually Fierce"

An unusually fierce gale swept the country during the week-end, disorganising shipping and communications.

The White Star liner "Regina" on which were Sir Austen Chamberlain and family, returning from Montreal, arrived at Liverpool and was unable to land passengers for several hours. The vessel had to shift her anchorage. The Chamberlains eventually landed in a tender.

Many steamers and sailing ships outride the storm at anchor in the Downs off Deal. Several big liners decided not to leave the docks owing to the rough water and high winds.

Fifteen trunk telephone lines for the Continent are down. Earth and stones dislodged by the force of the gale fell on to the railway at Crewe.

An express and goods train were derailed and seven waggons wrecked.

Several people in London were injured by gusts of wind and flying tiles and chimney pots.—Reuter.

Heavy Damage in Europe
The tempest is raging throughout Europe and there has been heavy damage in France, Germany, Holland and Britain.

There has been such a storm on the coast of Holland that not a single ship has made harbour since Nov. 23.

Fifteen vessels are overdue at Bordeaux and 50 are sheltering off Deal. Provisions are dwindling and they are unable to revictual. The Bay of Biscay is at its worst and has swamped the Italian ship "Bett," the crew being saved by a trawler.

More Shipping Disasters
The captain of the Swedish steamer "Garm," while in distress to the north-west of Texel (north of Holland) refused to allow the crew of seventeen to leave the ship despite of entreaties.

The local lifeboat went to the rescue, and one of the "Garm's" crew leapt overboard. He was saved by the lifeboat, but it is feared that the remaining sixteen are doomed. A Dutch vessel with the captain, his wife and three children has foundered in the Zuiderzee.

A French steamer and crew of 12 have lost off Algiers.—Reuter.

Meteorologists mention sunspots and volcanic eruptions in connection with the violent storms reported in Europe, the Atlantic, Pacific and South Africa during the week-end.

The ominous fact is that to-day is the 225th anniversary of the

ADVICE TO THE BRITISH LEGION

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THE LEGION "MUST LOOK TO THE FUTURE"

THE BOY SCOUTS

London, Yesterday.
Major General Sir Frederick Maurice, in opening the new British Legion Club at Harrow yesterday, said it was ten years since the war ended and the British Legion must look to the future. They must avoid becoming a narrow and self-centred organisation. They had to perpetuate in the life of the nation the spirit of service which carried the country through the great war. Major-General Maurice said he would like to see the British Legion taking an active interest in the Boy Scout movement and suggested that wherever possible a troop of scouts might be attached to the local branch of the Legion.—British Wireless Service.

JAPAN & CHINA

TOKYO ADOPTING A "WAIT & SEE" POLICY

AN INTERVIEW

Tokyo, Saturday.
"Mr. Yada will not parley with Mr. Wang again unless at the latter's request," declared Mr. Mori, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, in the course of a press interview discussing the prospects of further conversations.

At the Foreign Office it seems to have been decided to maintain a "wait and see" policy. For the time being no attempt is being made to hasten the re-opening of preliminary parleys though it is emphasised that this does not mean the suspending of all Sino-Japanese negotiations, as Mr. Yada intends to confer with Mr. T. V. Soong upon the further application of the proposed graduated tariff.

Mr. Mori, in the same interview, averred that Japan would never agree to withdraw troops from Shantung until a satisfactory guarantee of future peace and order was obtained.

Though Baron Tanaka's illness had revived rumours that a new Foreign Minister would be appointed, Mr. Mori likewise denied there was any such intention at present.—Reuter.

AL FRESCO CONCERT

SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE BOTANICAL GARDENS

K.O.S.B. PROGRAMME

There was a large gathering in the Botanical Gardens yesterday afternoon, when a second public concert was given by the Band of the 2nd Battalion the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

The programme was skilfully arranged by the conductor, Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., to suit all tastes.

Special mention must be made of the Peer Gynt suite which was delightfully placed. Massenet's "Marche Heroique" also went off splendidly, whilst another piece that drew well deserved applause was "The Larks' Festival" by Brewer, which was played by musician A. McKenna as a piccolo solo.

Other items were selections from "La Boheme," Offenbach excerpts, "The Barcarolle" and "Præstidium," Sullivan's "Yeoman of the Guard," and Hunt's gallop "John Peel."

great cyclone which was responsible for 8,000 deaths.

All the indications of the past fortnight's wild weather is that it moving to a climax.—Reuter.

Earlier Telegram
London, Yesterday.

Eight persons were killed and many injured in another furious south-westerly gale accompanied by torrents of rain throughout the country.

Shipping has been dislocated and houses unroofed, trees and boardings blown down.

Five hundred persons, living in huts at Ebbw Vale, are homeless, the huts having been demolished.

Three naval seaplanes were wrecked at Portland.—Reuter.

PROGRESS OF THE KING'S ILLNESS

"A FAIR NIGHT"

QUEEN SAYS HIS CONDITION IS "VERY MUCH BETTER"

NORMAL FLUCTUATION

London, Yesterday.
A British official wireless message from London dated 8 p.m., Nov. 25, states:—The bulletin issued from Buckingham Palace last night stated that the "King has passed a quiet day. Condition of the lung is unchanged." No bulletin was issued this morning, but it was officially stated that His Majesty had passed a fair night and that his condition was unchanged.

Messages of sympathy from all parts of the British Empire and abroad continue to reach Buckingham Palace.

The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Gloucester, who are on an African tour, are being kept informed of their father's condition. The Prince is now in Tanganyika on the way from Dodoma to Abercorn.

The Queen yesterday afternoon attended the Royal Choral Society's concert at the Albert Hall and stayed throughout the performance. She informed her friends that His Majesty's condition was then very much better and said that she felt much touched by the expressions of sympathy shown to her.

At five o'clock this afternoon Reuter learns that there was a slight improvement both in the congestion of the lung and the pleurisy from which the King is suffering.

Temperature Rises
The King's temperature again rose to over 100 to-day, and consequently His Majesty was less comfortable than he was yesterday.

A member of the household points out that even the most optimistic could not hope that the illness would pass off suddenly and without incident.

Lord Dawson and Sir S. Hewitt (the King's physicians) were with the King for an hour this evening.

Disturbed Day
The evening bulletin indicated a disturbed day due to the increase in fever. The King's strength is being maintained.

Fever Increased
Reuter understands that the King's medical advisers are prepared for an increase of the fever which need not be regarded as a bad sign.

The congestion and the pleurisy, which are the important factors, are less than they have been. Increased fever is to be looked upon as one of the normal fluctuations in such an illness.

Two Nurses
Two nurses are remaining with His Majesty to-night. Previously there was only one.

Message to H.R.H.
Reuter learns to-night that a message was sent to the Prince of Wales to-day telling him that there was no need for him to change his plans.—Reuter.

Resting Comfortable
At midnight His Majesty's condition was unchanged. He is resting more comfortable.

A Good Night
London, Yesterday.
At three o'clock His Majesty was passing a good night.—Reuter.

RAYON COMBINE TO ACQUIRE FOREIGN INTERESTS

New York, Saturday.
The Associated Rayon Corporation Inc. with a capital of \$40,000,000, will acquire substantial interests in American European and Japanese concerns.—Reuter's American Service.

A "RISE" FOR THE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

Paris, Saturday.
The chamber has agreed to raise President Doumergue's remuneration from 2,000,000 to 3,600,000 francs.—Reuter.

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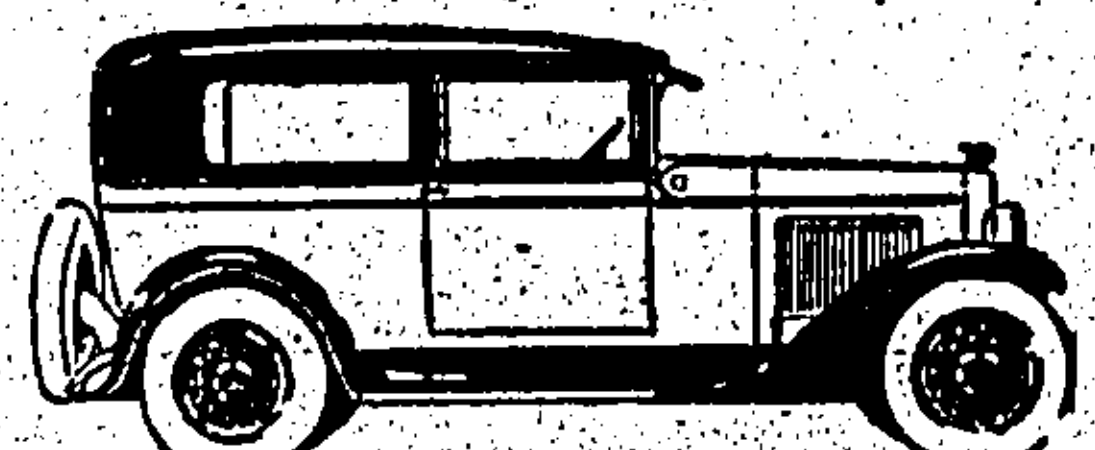
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